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Vikings win district baseball title



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Grayling High School's varsity baseball team lifts its district championship trophy on Saturday, May 31, at Gaylord High School. The Vikings advanced to the District 34-2 title game with a 3-1 semifinal victory vs. the Benzie Central Huskies on Saturday morning. In the district finals, Grayling defeated the Cadillac Vikings 8-3 to clinch the tournament championship. For more on the baseball team's playoff run, see Page 1B.

Guarantees sought for theme park development

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The \$161 million theme park planned south of Grayling is stalled as developers and Department of Natural Resource (DNR) officials are awaiting respective written guarantees regarding the sale of land for the project.

Patrick Crosson, a project manager for Axiom Entertainment, has proposed to build the Mainstreet America Inc. theme park on 1,800 acres of land, located east of I-75 and north of Four Mile Road.

The land sale was not on the Natural Resource Commission's (NRC) agenda for its Thursday, June 5, meeting.

Dave Freed, chief of land and facilities for the DNR, said that DNR and Michigan Economic Development Corporation officials are still awaiting documentation that developers have full financing for the project.

"We're still trying to work our way through whether they have the financing or not, and we don't have those details nailed down," Freed said.

In addition, DNR officials are seeking a phased building plan from developers on how the park will be developed. Freed said that the state needs assurances that the theme park portion of the project will be built first.

"We don't want a situation where it appears they have Continued on Page 2A

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Black bear causes stir in Grayling

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The Lord family in Grayling had an unexpected guest when they woke up Friday morning - a 400 pound black bear perched in a maple tree in their backyard.

Lesley Lord was alerted to the bear, located in a tree in a fenced in play area behind their home located at 408 Ionia Street, by the family's barking beagle

"Sophie" and black lab "Jackson," at around 8:45 a.m. on Friday.

Lord said she had a clear view of the bear through a window in a bathroom of the home.

"It took a double take to make sure it was a bear," she said. "I was excited more than I was scared of anything, since we Continued on Page 10A

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The Lord family in Grayling had an unexpected guest when they woke up Friday morning - a 400 pound black bear perched in a maple tree in their backyard. Left, the black bear peeks out his hiding spot. Right, Joel, Lesley, Gavin and Kameron Lord are pictured by the tree where the bear was perched.

Road millage placed on November ballot

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners gave the green light to place a millage to fund the maintenance and repair of local roads on the ballot.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners, at its last regular monthly meeting, voted to have a millage proposal, that would fund the Crawford County Road Commission, placed on the Nov. 4 general election ballot.

The five-year, one-mill proposal would fund the reconstruction and maintenance of county roads. The millage, if approved by voters, would generate about \$543,000 per year for road repairs and maintenance.

The same road millage request was defeated by voters in the 2006 November election by a vote of 2,910 to 2,734.

Road commissioners are seeking financial support from Crawford County taxpayers, since state revenues from the Michigan Transportation Fund (MTF), money collected from gasoline taxes, weight taxes and license registration fees, has

been decreasing since 2003. That has resulted in the road commission not replacing employees that have retired and cutting back on equipment purchases and overtime expenses.

Don Babcock, the managing director for the Crawford County Road Commission, said officials are planning for up to an 11 percent decrease in MTF funds this year, which will result in a cut of over \$100,000 for the county road agency.

"There are less people driving so they are buying less fuel which means less revenues from the state," Babcock said.

The road commission only has a pair of projects planned for the this construction season. One project includes reconstructing a two mile stretch of North Down River Road between Wakeley Bridge Road and Stephan Bridge Road. Paving for the project is scheduled for next week.

The other project includes repairing a one and a half mile stretch on North Higgins Lake Drive. The road commission is Continued on Page 11A

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The Chamber will begin the Summer Music & Art Series on June 19th with the Banjo picker and Friends performing on the lawn of Citizens Bank at 6:00 p.m. This is a free public concert! Bring your friends and family and come out and enjoy yourselves. The Kiwanis will be selling hot dogs at the concerts. Watch for more information about the rest of the series!

The Chamber is now selling Duck Race Raffle Tickets for \$5 each! The Duck Race will be held in the AuSable River in the City Park on July 4th at 8:00 p.m.

Community Events.....6/7—Devereaux Memorial Library Summer Reading Program kick-off party 6/7—Hanson Hills Challenge Trail Run 6/7—Special Olympics Michigan Are 4 Bowling Fund raiser 6/7 & 8—Commission on Aging Garage Sale 6/7—Gene Krupa Orchestra at Kirtland 6/9—GRA & 4H Adventure Camp 6/12—Senior Center to Comerica Park for Tigers game

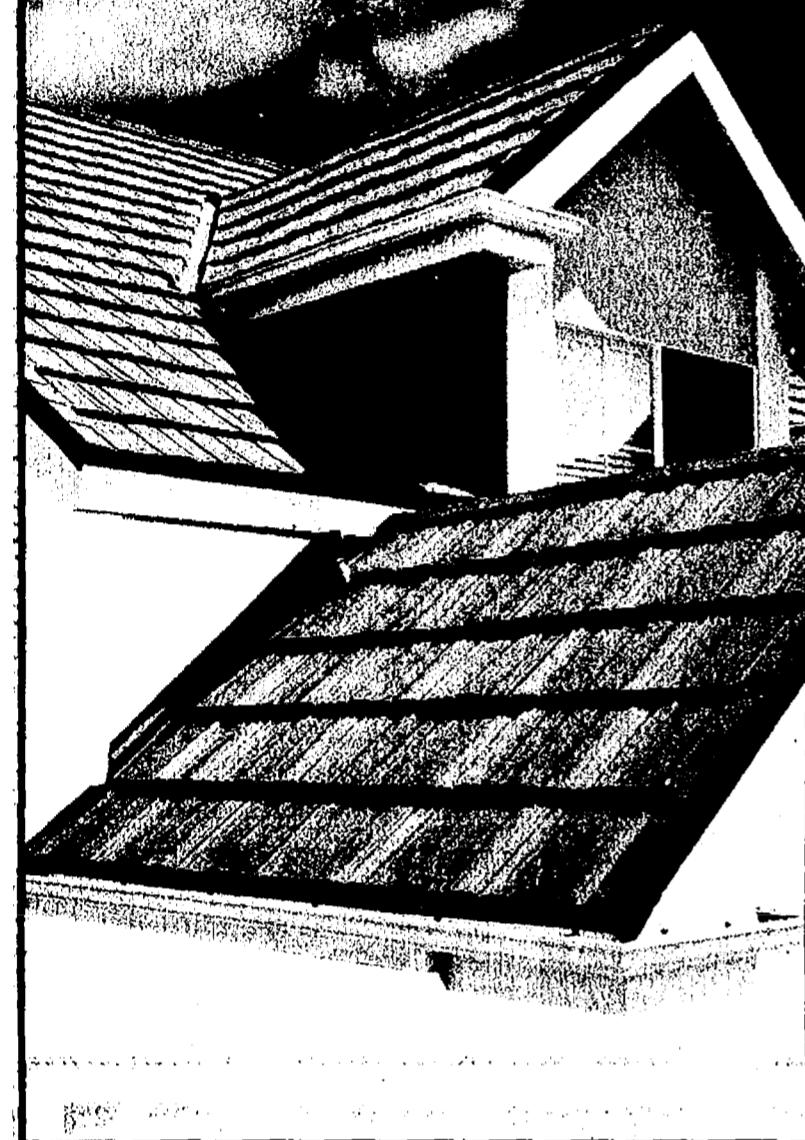
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Caps off to Class of 2008



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Commencement ceremonies for the Grayling High School's Class of 2008 were held on Sunday. Above, the graduates throw their caps and shoot streamers into the air during the finale of their ceremony.



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Guarantees sought for theme park development

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obtained public lands, and benefited from it without doing the theme park, and we end up with some other type of commercial development," Freed said.

Plans for Mainstreet America Inc. include the construction of retail shopping stores, hotels, a campground and a convention center.

Locally, Crawford County Economic Development Partnership (CCEDP) officials are asking officials and citizens to write letters to state governmental officials urging the DNR to provide a letter to developers saying they will sell the entire tract of land for the project.

Gail Gilliland, the economic development director for the CCEDP, said representatives

from the Remington Financial Group, a Philadelphia based firm, are seeking the letter before they finalize contracts for the amusement park.

Letters are encouraged to be sent to Gov. Jennifer M. Granholm, Rep. Matt Gillard, D-Alpena, Rep. Joel Sheltrown, D-West Branch, Sen. Tony Stamas, R-Midland, the DNR and the NRC.

"This project is in limbo and the developer needs to know that he can buy the land at the end of the day," Gilliland said.

Dave Stephenson, the chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners and vice president of the CCEDP Board, said that the DNR and developers are also in discussions regarding an escrow

account that would facilitate the sale of the land.

Under initial terms of the proposed agreement, the DNR would agree to release the land for development based on phased financing that the developers would receive as development occurs.

The pact would be mutually beneficial for the state and the developers. Proceeds from the sale of state-owned land goes into an account used to purchase environmentally sensitive property, recreational property and property abutting state-owned land. Stephenson said that the amount of money in the DNR's account to buy land is capped, meaning that funds over the amount eligible could go towards other DNR expenses.

"The DNR is not going to want that to happen, because they can only use those funds to purchase more land," Stephenson said.

Last month, financiers also requested assessments regarding property that was destroyed by the April 24 wildfire that destroyed 1,345 acres of land south of Grayling.

Susan Thiel, the Grayling unit manager for the DNR, said an estimated 390 acres, where the theme park is proposed, was damaged by the fire.

Stephenson said financiers were provided with an aerial view of the property and an overlay of where buildings and amenities are planned to be built on land that was charred by the fire.

Developers are proposing that the park would include roller coasters, a race track, a water park, the world's tallest Christmas tree and Ferris wheel, a World War II aircraft carrier and an area where Christmas is celebrated all year long. They said it would create 2,000 jobs, 700 of which would be full-time positions, and would have an annual payroll of \$25 million.

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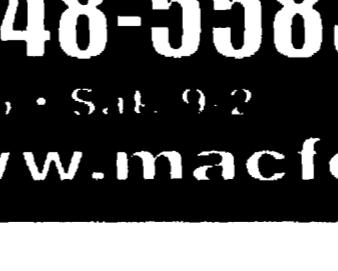
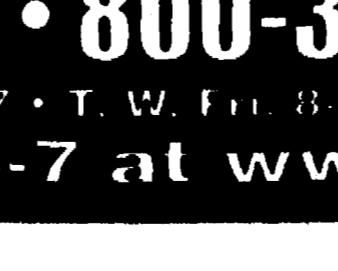
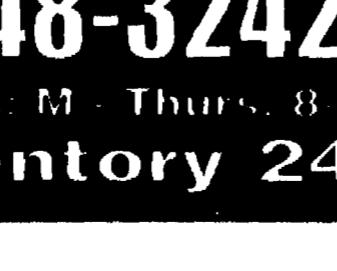
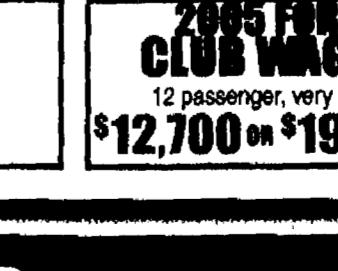
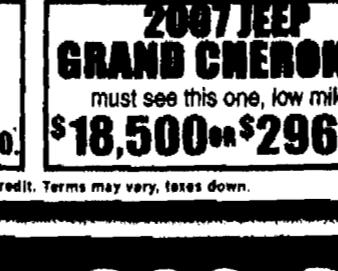
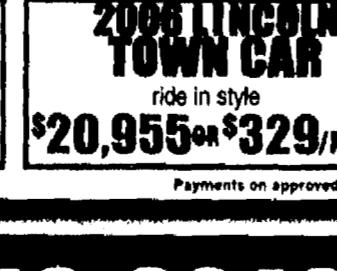
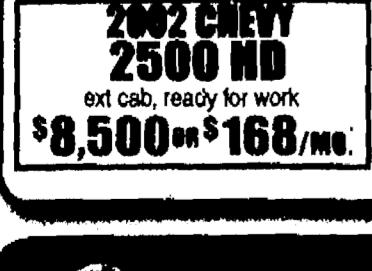
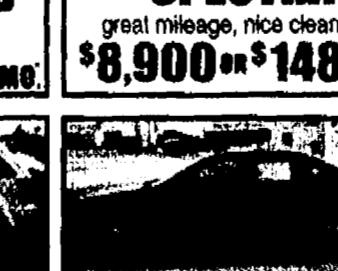
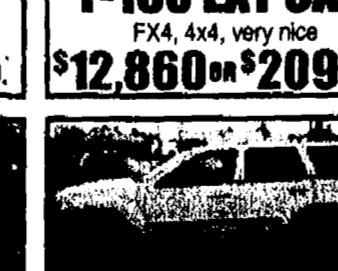
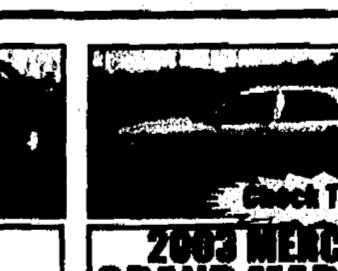
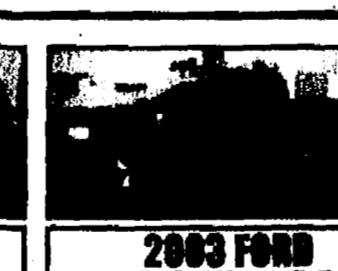
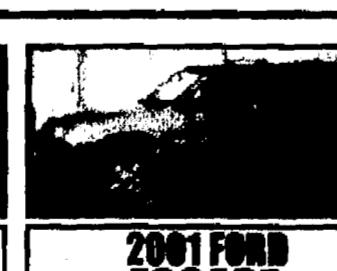
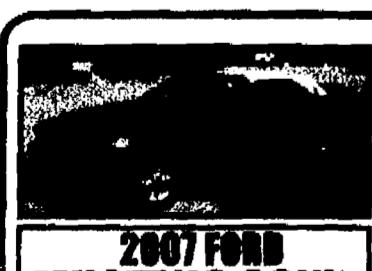
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Bike Rodeo round-up



Photos by Dan Sanderson
About 90 youngsters attended the annual Bike Rodeo, hosted by the Crawford County Sheriff's Office, at the AuSable Primary School on Saturday. Left, Jacob Farmer, age 7, and his brother Austin Farmer, age 5, get ready to head out on the Bike Rodeo course after reviewing the bike safety hand signals from Sgt. Randy Herman. Right, Undersheriff Shawn Kraycs fits Caleb Pooley, age 9, with one of the 200 helmets donated by the Grayling Rotary Club for the Bike Rodeo.

Grace Center has new director overseeing counseling services

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A director, who has been handed the reins at the Grace Center, hopes to partner with other entities and organizations in the community as they work to help clients handle their substance abuse and family issues.

Doug Pryor started as the clinical director at the Grace Center in April. He replaced Tom Akalis who resigned, after serving as the Grace Center's clinical director for eight years, to pursue other career opportunities.

The Grace Center is a counseling clinic that offers substance abuse, child, family and personal counseling and does assessments for the courts and other agencies. The center was founded in 1987, as an outreach of St. Francis Episcopal Church, by Father Derek Roy and Bob Smock Jr.

Pryor comes to Grayling after serving as the senior therapist for residential treatment at the Oakdale Recovery Center in Canton. Prior to that, he served as an outpatient counselor for Seaway Hospital in Trenton.

Pryor and his wife Patricia, a data architect in the information technology department for Ford Motor Company, have had a weekend home on the Manistee River for nine years.

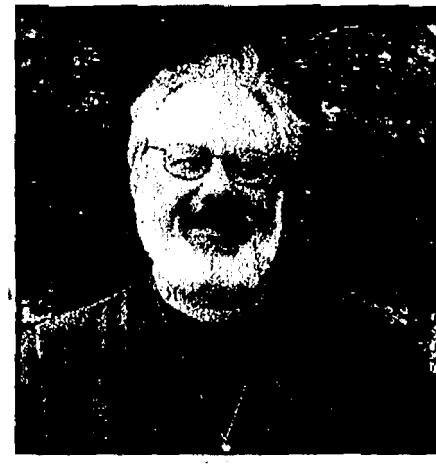
They attended St. Francis Episcopal Church during their weekends in the community.

"Over the years, the church has made several attempts to bring me up, and this last time it seemed like it was the right time to make the move," Pryor said.

As clinical director, Pryor is in charge of supervising and training the Grace Center counselors, serving as a liaison to the community, improving the programs the clinic offers and handling a small case load of clients.

Patsy Jean Clancy and Jody Robson are the Grace Center staff counselors. Carol Moggo serves as the office administrator.

Pryor has a master's degree in education in social studies from the University of Indiana, a master's degree in religious studies specializing in teaching death and dying to children from Orchard Lake St. Mary's,



Doug Pryor

and a master's degree in clinical psychology from the University of Detroit Mercy. Pryor briefly attend a seminary at Wayne State University. He taught religion at an inner city soup kitchen in Fort Wayne and also taught religious classes at the Shrine School in Royal Oak.

"It was during that time I started helping students with their substance abuse problems," he said.

Besides some clients dealing with methamphetamine use, Pryor said that the Grace Center counselors are seeing a typical caseload of clients dealing with alcohol addiction in the area, especially given the current economic struggles.

"Part of our work here is to help people understand what is going on and clarify the changes

"If they're not making a lot of

money, we can tailor a fee that will work within their budget and will try to do our best to help them address the issues they are dealing with," Pryor said.

Over the past couple of months, Pryor said he has been meeting with officials with Community Mental Health, the AuSable Free Clinic and other organizations in an effort to determine how each entity can be supportive of each other to serve the community.

"I'm hoping to see the Grace Center thrive, move in some new directions and continue to help the people in the community," Pryor said.

The Grace Center works hand-in-hand with numerous government-funded entities such as Michigan Department of Human Services, Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, local courts, Michigan Department of Corrections, Crawford County United Way, and private donors and foundations such as the Alden and Vada Dow Family Foundation, Northern Convocation and Great Lakes Energy. These entities help contain and defray costs to make services affordable and accessible to all who are in need. The clinic also accepts Medicaid and private health insurance.

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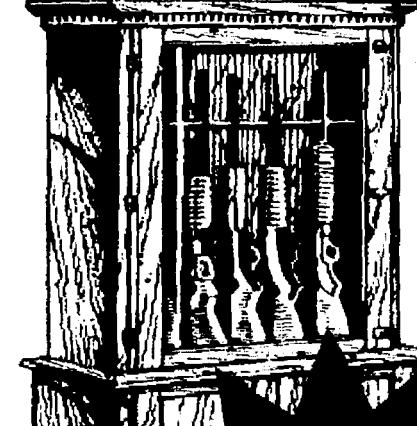
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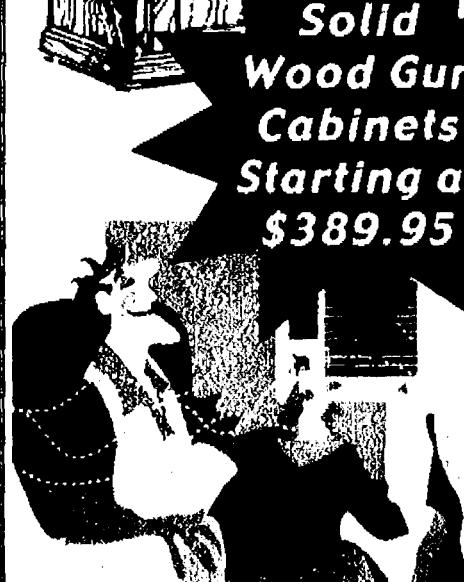
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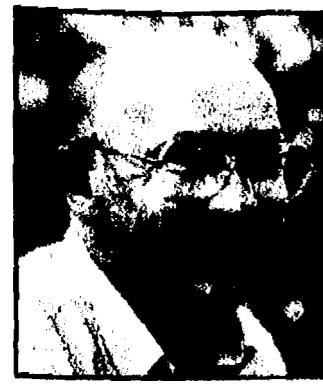
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ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

McClellan book raises several questions

WHEN FORMER White House aides come out with a book, it's often after their bosses have left the presidency. That's the polite and discreet way to do it.

Not with Scott McClellan, former press secretary to President George W. Bush.

In Mr. McClellan's newly published review of his White House service, many of the bodies still are either in place, or remain in other prominence.

Mr. McClellan levels many complaining observations about inside White House procedures, and their consequences. Here are my comments on two of them.

First is his claim that Mr. Bush's justification for going to war in Iraq was based on a continual pattern of lies and misinformation to the public, and that Mr. McClellan was unknowingly a part of spreading those unsubstantiated and misleading reasons.

Second is that the media failed

in their role of critical reporting and questioning analysis of the White House pro-war plotting.

Those around President Bush, then and now, dispute Mr. McClellan's claim of lies and misdirection in starting the Iraqi war.

He doesn't know what he's talking about, goes the stream of the anti-McClellan comments, and if he's disturbed about White House actions, why didn't he do something about it when he was there instead of waiting until he left his job to air his claims and his own confession?

Much of the media, on the other hand, has had far fewer defenders of the McClellan charges of inattention to reality.

AS TO THE first point, Scott McClellan claims he was not told the truth about what was going on in the Iraqi war planning and execution.

Mr. McClellan writes that when he briefed the press and informed

the public during his tenure as presidential press secretary, he was telling the truth as he knew it, only to discover as events unfolded that what he told the press and public was far from factual.

Such lying and misdirection, he writes, were part of a deliberate White House scheme to justify the invasion of Iraq.

As a former gubernatorial advisor and press secretary, I find Mr. McClellan's claims of innocence entirely possible. A press secretary can work only with what he/she knows personally or has been told by superiors.

Although he had been an aide to Mr. Bush since his days as Texas governor, I suspect Scott McClellan simply was not high enough among White House insiders to be included when top-scale decisions were made and rationale for those decisions was developed.

As a consequence, he could only report what he was told by those above him in the pecking

order, and he accepted what he was told as the truth, and passed it on as such.

There are press secretaries, and then there are press secretaries. Some are among the inner circle in plotting strategy and program, some are not.

The president and the White House generally, it appears, did not consider the role of press secretary as part of the decision-making process, but merely as a conduit to the press and public to deliver the message the genuine decision-makers wanted the public to hear, whether it was truthful or not. The end was to justify the means.

WHAT ABOUT the press? Was there laxity in its role as watchdog of public officials? Should the press have been more critical and questioned the White House sooner?

At the time Mr. Bush and his White House decided to go to war in the Middle East, the tenor of

the country was considerably different than it is today.

Public polls in 2001, shortly after the 9-11 attacks, showed 90 percent public approval for going to war in Afghanistan. Americans were gung-ho to do something to strike back for 9-11 at somebody, somehow.

When the invasion of Iraq was fostered a few months later, some skeptics in the press and in the public sounded concern, but much of the public was with Mr. Bush, and the Congress hardly had approved the war — a vote several presidential hopefuls in 2007-08 later stumbled around to justify.

My own attitude at that time was a bit skeptical of the war and the White House claims to support it, but offered the benefit of my doubt until it became apparent the White House lied about weapons of mass destruction and the dangers of chemical warfare, and when the ineptitude of our leadership in dealing with what

we had wrought in Iraq became even more obvious.

I do not join Scott McClellan's indictment of the media for letting happen what happened because of lack of vigilance.

Some media analysts were anti-war from the beginning; so were many of the general public. Many of these were columnists and commentators, and members of the public, who find no merit in any action taken by George Bush or any Republican president.

Some of these same critics find no merit in any sitting officeholder, regardless of party or ideology.

But more analysts and much of the public, in my view, were akin to my own approach about the Iraqi invasion — skeptical but hopeful — until events proved our national leadership was both wrong and deceitful.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

The old days are gone

To the editor:

Well, it's Friday morning and I just came back from picking up the mail. As I was looking for a place to park on a side street (as the main street was closed from the light to past the bank), I wondered if taking away more parking spaces and making the main street into a two lane road was the correct thing to do.

I'll grant you it's pretty (except for the ugly big gray box on the corner of the post office) and maybe I am wrong as I was told by one of Grayling's dignitaries Wayne Koppa. He informed me that it was a great idea to slow the traffic down for pedestrians and I agree. He also informed me that Grayling and one other northern town were the only two towns without a streetscape plan. He said that the former plan wasn't working and you can tell just by looking at all the empty buildings uptown.

Yes, it looks bad with buildings empty and yes, it is bad for the tourist dollars as there are not many choices for shopping. But, if you want a summer stroll down main street, it's perfect.

Of course if you do decide to shop, you need to plan on extra time for exiting a parking place as the lanes are now one and one half instead of two full ones. It

requires that you have time to wait for the driving lane to empty so you can back out. This will frequently take several light changes and a huge prayer that you can get back to work before your lunch hour is over.

Grayling has unfortunately been on a downhill slide for some time. I've lived here almost my whole life. My business is here. I went to school here, my children went to school here and my heart is here. If you think a streetscape will bring in more dollars you are wrong.

I've watched the military trucks pull down main street and park in the middle to let the troops off. I've watched as some parking areas were put off limits and I've watched this town struggle to survive.

Maybe we need to do what other towns do, and let the snowmobilers drive on the city streets in the winter. Maybe we need to close off one portion of main street twice a month for a farmers market or an antique sale.

So, as you take your leisurely stroll on the new streetscape walk, think about starting a new business downtown or supporting a downtown business. But most of all, make sure you have enough time to back out of a parking space and get home to cook dinner.

Sharon Priebe
Grayling

Veterans wanted for July 4th parade

To the editor:

Attention all military veterans, we want you in our July 4th parade.

If you can, and would like to march with us, call Phil Faustman at 348-4771. If you cannot march, we will have transportation for you. If you need a ride to and from the parade, it will be provided.

If you can wear your uniform, that would be special, although not many of us can do that. Let us reserve a place in your honor on this special day.

Phil Faustman
Grayling

VIEWPOINT

Michigan Diabetes Outreach Network program

Type 2 diabetes is one of the most prevalent, dangerous, yet preventable diseases in Michigan. It is estimated that nearly eight percent of Michigan residents over the age of 18 have this disease, making it the state's sixth leading cause of death.

To lesson the burden of diabetes, the State of Michigan created the Diabetes and Kidney Programs line in its budget. One of the most effective programs to come from this line is the Michigan Diabetes Outreach Network (DON). The DON program consists of six regional networks throughout Michigan which help build community partnerships to strengthen diabetes prevention, detection and treat-

ment.

Despite the program's success, its existence may be in jeopardy. In March, the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Community Health proposed to cut the Healthy Michigan Fund almost in half. This fund provides the primary revenue for the Diabetes and Kidney Programs line.

If diabetes programs are cut, fewer resources will be allocated for these effective programs in diabetes prevention, detection and care improvement. Undetected or unmanaged diabetes puts people at high risk for heart disease, kidney disease, amputations and premature death. These programs reach out to the poor and under-

served communities.

If you want to keep the Michigan Diabetes Outreach Network and other effective programs intact, there is something you can do to help. Write to your state representative and state senator and tell them you want Michigan to maintain funding for the Diabetes and Kidney Programs line and the Healthy Michigan Fund.

Your letter could help Michigan residents prevent and manage diabetes, or even save a life.

For more information on diabetes, or to find your local Diabetes Outreach Network, please visit www.diabetesinmichigan.org.

VIEWPOINT

By Theresa Zambeck, director of public relations for the American Red Cross

First week of June is National CPR/AED week

In December 2007, Congress passed a bill designating the first week of June "National Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Awareness week". The passing of this resolution shines a national spotlight on how important it is for all Americans to learn critical lifesaving skills such as how to perform CPR, how to use an AED and the need to increase public access to AEDs.

The intention of CPR/AED Awareness week is to bring attention to learning skills that can save lives. The more people who are

trained, the more lives may be saved.

It is estimated that on average it takes 8 to 10 minutes for first responders (9-1-1) to reach a victim. It is essential for members of the community to be trained and certified in lifesaving skills in order to feel comfortable performing CPR and using an AED until advanced help arrives.

Sudden cardiac arrest claims the lives of more than 300,000 people in the U.S. each year. Knowing what to do if it happens to someone you know or love is critical to saving a life. About 1.25 million people experience a heart attack in

the U.S. each year. 500,000 of these attacks result in death. About 250,000 deaths occur within the first hour of the onset of symptoms. More than 160,000 deaths occur before the age of 65. Seventy-five percent of all out-of-hospital arrests occur in the home.

Take time out of your life to receive training and to be prepared to help save the life of a loved one or friend. The American Red Cross has CPR/AED training classes scheduled weekly at the West Branch Regional Medical Center. Call 1-800-691-6059 and register now. "Change a life, starting with your own!"

VIEWPOINT

By Kirk Wakefield, Crawford County Sheriff

Make sure vessels are sea-worthy before launching them

Sheriff Wakefield wants Crawford County residents to stay safe on the water this summer by performing a vessel safety check now.

"While most people are aware they need to keep their automobiles in good running order, it sometimes doesn't occur to them to check their boats before the season gets underway," says Sheriff Wakefield.

Boat owners should take the following steps to ensure their vessels' safety.

Check to make sure your navigation charts are on board and updated to the most current conditions.

good condition, and properly fitted. Check for discoloration, dry rot and mildew, popped seams and tears in the fabric; make sure the straps, buckles and zippers still work.

Check your equipment to ensure it is in good working order. This includes items like visual distress signals, sound-producing devices, navigation lights, bilge pumps, ventilation blowers and fire extinguishers.

Make sure there is one life jacket for every person on board, in

Sheriff Wakefield encourages boat owners to have the Coast Guard perform a free vessel safety check. Vessel examiners will check the boat for mechanical safety as well as verifying the proper safety equipment is on board. They can also offer recommendations on how to outfit vessels to comply with federal and state laws and regulations.

"By taking the proper precautions now, you can prevent tragedy later," said Sheriff Wakefield. "Take personal responsibility for your safety and enjoy a summer on the water."

BRIEFS

Crawford County Democrats to meet

The Crawford County Democrats will gather for their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, June 12, at 7 p.m., at the Crawford County Courthouse.

Band boosters plan monthly meeting

The Grayling Viking Band Boosters meeting will be held on Thursday, June 5, at 7 p.m., in the Grayling Middle School band room. Parents of band students are encouraged to attend and become involved in activities that support the instrumental music program for all Grayling schools.

American Legion Auxiliary to hold meeting

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Post #106 will be held at noon on Wednesday, June 11, at the American Legion Hall.

COA to go to Comerica Park

Tickets are still available for the COA trip to Comerica Park, on June 12, to see the Detroit Tigers take on the Chicago White Sox. The seats are located in the right field grandstand known as "Home Run Alley." The cost for the trip is \$60, which includes charter bus transportation, tickets to the game and a sack meal for the ride home. The bus will leave the senior center at 8 a.m. and will return by 9 p.m. The trip is open to all Crawford County Seniors age 60 and over and their guests. Call Andrea for reservations at 989-348-7123.

Straits Area Ostomy Assoc. to meet

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, June 8, at 2 p.m., in the back doctor's dining room at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital, Petoskey. All ostomates and interested persons are invited. Call Jack Bouck at 989-821-5721 for information.

Girls basketball camp to be held

The Grayling Lady Vikes Summer Basketball Camp will be held on June 11 and 12 at the Grayling Middle School. The camp is for girls going into grades 2-8. The cost to participate is \$20, which includes a camp T-shirt and game prizes. Grades 2-5 will go from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and grades 6-8 will go from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Contact coach Kelly Sheehan at ksheehan@casdk12.net or 989-370-3650 with any questions.

Health Dept. to hold health screenings

The local health department will be holding hearing and vision screenings for new kindergartners and fall pre-schoolers. This will be held in August at the Grayling Headstart building. Some programs require screenings. Call 348-7800 for an appointment.

Items needed for Shelter Garage Sale

The AuSable Valley Animal Shelter is seeking donations of gently used, clean and saleable items for its Big Garage Sale scheduled for August. No clothing will be accepted. Items will be accepted each Saturday in June, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., at Building 1 only. Please do not take donations to the shelter, or leave them outside the barn during non-collection hours. Call Deanne, at 275-8897, for more information.

Sheriff to attend township meeting

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield will attend the Lovells Township meeting on Tuesday, June 10, at 7 p.m. He will be there throughout the meeting, and if necessary, remain afterwards for additional questions or comments.

MARSP to hold meeting

The Roscommon Chapter of MARSP (Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel) will hold a meeting on June 16, at the Timbers Restaurant on County Road 100, 1/2 mile north of the South Higgins Lake State Park. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and breakfast will be at 9 a.m. The speaker will be Larry Meier, discussing Cormorants. Paid reservations of \$9, which includes tax and tips, are due by June 13 to Janet Porath, P.O. Box 489, Houghton Lake, MI 48629. For information, call 989-302-0482.

GHS class of '83 to hold reunion

The Grayling High School class of 1983 will be holding their 25th class reunion on Aug. 9. If you have not received an invitation, we are looking for addresses. Call Jeff Harnay at 231-690-1134.

Garden club rescheduled

The GRA and 4-H Youth Garden Club start date has been postponed until July 8, due to lack of enrollment. If you are interested in enrolling your child, go to www.hansonhills.org or call 348-9266.

Early sign-up event to be held for Redskins football

The AuSable Football League (Grayling Redskins) is now accepting registrations for players and cheerleaders for the upcoming 2008 season. The league will host an early sign-up event from 6-8 p.m. on June 13 at Redskin Field, which is located at the Crawford County Fairgrounds. The event will be held in building three.

Redskins football and cheer-

leading squads are open to boys and girls in grades 3-8, ages 8-14.

Physicals are required for AuSable Football League participants before they may practice. Practices are scheduled to begin on August 4.

If you have any questions, contact Bud or Judy Morgan at 348-2548.

Dairy Days and Murder Theatre to be held at Wellington Farm

On June 14 and 15, Wellington Farm USA near Grayling will host one of its more popular events, Dairy Days.

On that weekend, the 60-acre living history farm will demonstrate how dairy products were made from scratch right in the farm kitchen. Demonstrations of butter making, cheese making, ice cream making and other milk products will be ongoing throughout both days. There will also be demonstrations of cream separation and several interesting artifacts, associated with the dairy aspect of farming, will be on display.

In addition to the dairy demonstrations, the entire Depression era complex will be open and demonstrations will be presented in the Blacksmith Shop, the Carpenter shop and the Grist Mill. A narrated shuttle ride will transport visitors into and out of the park, which will provide participants an opportunity to see and hear about the entire farming complex.

On Saturday evening, June 14, Wellington Farm Park and Deadwood Productions will host their first Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre of the season. "The Widow Makers Lament" will set the stage for the entire season as a dastardly deed is committed at a logging camp during Michigan's heyday of lumbering.

Who committed the murder is

for the audience to determine. As the play unwinds, members of the audience will be asked to join the actors on stage. They will be provided costumes and a script and will portray one of the witnesses, one of the suspects, or even perhaps, the murderer.

It's all a great deal of fun and it is accompanied by a fully catered evening meal, typical of the meals served in a logging camp of course. Reservations for the Murder Mystery are a must and they can be made by calling 348-5187 or 888-653-3276. If no one answers, leave a message stating the number of reservations, the name and a phone number. Price of the full evening's entertainment is \$30 per person.

Wellington Farm USA is a 60-acre living history complex depicting life on a typical Midwestern family farm during the Great Depression. The farm is located at 6940 South Military Road between Higgins Lake and Camp Grayling. It is easily accessed from US-127, I-75 and M-72. The farm also has a General Store which is fully stocked with produce items, jams and jellies, gift items, tee shirts and hats. Fresh farm baked pies and cinnamon rolls arrive every Friday morning and are offered for sale until they are gone. Wellington Farm USA is owned and operated by Wellington Farm Park Inc., a nonprofit corporation.

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Whereas, the individual firemen readily and routinely risk their own lives in that pursuit for very little compensation.

Whereas, to succeed with their charge, the individual firemen must maintain a professional level of dedication and training to form a cohesive team each and every time they face a fire.

Whereas, the individual members of the Grayling City/Twp. Fire Department constantly extinguish structure fires, grass fires, trees and wild fires.

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RAFFLE WINNERS

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for June 1 of \$25 each; Val Priebe, Larry Haske and Jim Brown.

Grayling Lions Club

The winner of the Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 raffle for May 30 of \$100 was Lexi Cherven.

The Bible Speaks

Righteousness Of Law

How can a sinner be declared righteous in the presence of a Holy God? This is the most important question every human must know to be saved. Those trusting the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ for their sins have found the answer. Those justified by faith in Jesus Christ face "no condemnation" from God's law. (Rom. 8:1); no legal control because they are "free from the law" (Rom. 8:2); no failure under law because of the finished work of Jesus Christ in the flesh; (Rom. 8:3); and no unrighteousness under law because of the righteousness of Jesus Christ imputed to them. (Rom. 8:4) "4That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."

First, we must know the perfection of God's righteousness. Jesus said in Matthew 5:20 the most religious men in the world did not have this righteousness: 20For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

en." Paul said in Philippians 3:6 he lived blameless under law/righteousness. But He declared in Philippians 3:9 he found God's new righteousness: "9And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith." "4For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth." (Rom. 10:4). "21 do not frustrate the grace of God; for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain." (Gal. 2:21).

Second, we must know the provision of God's righteousness in us by proxy through His Son. "4That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us..." Notice the words are "in us" and not "by us." "4For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth." (Romans 10:4). It is not by our works of righteousness, but by our faith in Him. (Eph. 3:8,9). He is our righteousness. "30But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption." (1 Cor 1:30). "10For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confesses.

confession is made unto salvation." (Romans 10:10). Our righteousness is a gift of God's grace. "17For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ." (Romans 5:17).

Third, we will walk in the practice of righteousness if we are justified by Him: "...who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. "25If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit." (Gal 5:25). We are both saved and kept by grace alone. "4Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace." Therefore we walk after the Spirit because God's grace teaches us to do so: "11For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, 12Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world." (Tit. 2:11,12). Therefore, we live right, not to be saved, but because we are saved. Pastor "B"

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Sunday School (preschool - 3rd grade) 10:00 am
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Pastor: Dr. William A. Corrie
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www.michelsonumc.org
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E-mail: reslife fellowship@bellsouth.net
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(488) 348-5921
905 N. I-75 Bus. Loop
at the junction of M-92 & I-75
Saturday Evening Worship Service 6:30 pm
Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am
Sunday School 9:15 am

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First Baptist Church of Frederic
Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
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**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter
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President David Starchenko
Sacramento 10 am
Sunday School 11 am
Primary 11 am
Preschool 12 noon
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1177 Main Street • Grayling
Sunday School (youth & adult) 10 am
Evening Worship 11 pm
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First Methodist
Pastor: David Jorgenson
Phone: 989-348-1509
Services held Saturday at:
Campground of M-72 East
(1st building on right past camp entrance)
Saturday Church Service 9:30 am
Sunday School 10:30 am
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Abundant Life Tabernacle
Pastor Lyle Stander
211 Shellenberger St. • Grayling 498-5325
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Youth Service 11 am
Sunday Evening Service 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm
Friday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
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Sunday Church Service 10 am - 6:00 pm
Sunday School 9 am
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Wednesday Service 7 pm

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Pastor Gary Winkler
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Phone: 348-7465
Sunday School 9:30 am
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Wednesday Night 6 pm
Sunday School 11 am
Youth and Young Adults Sunday School 9:30 am

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Pastor: Steve Schaeffer
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Eucharist (Wed) 8:30 am
Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:30 & 10:30 am

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Sunday Service 10:30 am
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Mail: 2340 M-72 West • Grayling, MI
Phone: 989-348-1000

The Church of Christ
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OBITUARIES

William C. Coy

Aug. 23, 1935 - May 26, 2008

William C. "Bill" Coy, 72, of Maple Forest Township, passed away on May 26, 2008.

He was born in Belding on August 23, 1935.

He married Mary Ellen (Millard) Coy on September 15, 1956, in Warren.

He served in the Army National Guard for over 43 years, retiring with the rank of Staff Sergeant.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge #356 F&AM, the OES Grayling Chapter 83, the Friends of Hartwick Pines and the Crawford County Historical Society.

He was a volunteer for the American Red Cross, and was a Crawford County Sheriff Reserve Officer and a past Crawford County Commissioner. He was on the Crawford County Planning and Zoning Commission, and the Crawford County Board of Appeals. He was the Maple Forest Supervisor and Assessor and the Assessor for Lovells Township.

He and his wife, Mary, owned and operated Mary's Corner Book Swap - Lady Slipper Gifts in Grayling for over 20 years before closing in 2002.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; daughters, Jerene (Jack) Bramble of Grayling, Janelle Cousins (Tim Legg) of Roscommon; grandchildren: Aimee Schell (Justin Tripolitis) of Va., Michelle Stepp (Nicholas Donnell) of Mo., Glenn Cousins (Kayla Avalos) of Grayling, Michael Cousins of Roscommon; one great-granddaughter, Harmonie Schell; brothers: Kenneth (Dorothy) Hullibarger, James (Jeanette) Hullibarger and Alan Hullibarger, all of Belding.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Dan and David Hullibarger; and great-grandson, Jordan Devries. A funeral service was held on May 29, at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home, with Pastor Robert Barnett officiating.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Elizabeth A. Wysocki

Nov. 19, 1919 - May 27, 2008

Elizabeth Ann Wysocki, 88, of Grayling, passed away on May 27, 2008.

She was born in Detroit, on November 19, 1919, to the late Bruno and Catherine (Bora) Elwart.

She married the late Edward Wysocki, on November 9, 1940, in Detroit.

She is survived by her son, Kenneth (Kathleen) Wysocki of New Baltimore; daughter, Cynthia Wysocki of Frederic; three grandchildren: Michael Wysocki, Brian (Patti) Wysocki, Greg (Shawn) Wysocki; and five great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on May 30, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grayling.

Interment was at the Elmwood Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

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Cummings, Kersten engaged

Jamie Cummings and George Kersten III

John and Verna Meharg of Frederic, and F. Mark Cummings III of Lexington, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jamie Cummings, to George "Bobby" Kersten III, son of Bob and Deanna Kersten II of Ruby. Cummings is a graduate of Croswell-Lexington High

School. She is employed as a bookkeeper with GeoMasters in Lexington.

Kersten is a graduate of Yale High School. He is employed as a lineman with MJ.

The couple resides in Burtchville. An August, 2009, wedding is planned.

Bailey's celebrate 67 years

Delbert and Etta Bailey, of Grayling, celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary on May 24 with 18 family members at a dinner at the Gray Rock Cafe.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of June 5 - 11 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618 and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting artillery live fire, small arms firing and troop maneuvers.

Small arms ranges, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek.

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and north of Portage Creek.

Range 15, located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Rd. and on the east by Carrier Rd.

Range 17, hand grenade range located south of the main post, north of Carrier Rd., east of range 13 and west of Beaver Creek (Military Rd.).

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612 and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail. Weapons live fire will be conducted.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on June 5 - 11. Bucks East - West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Rd. to Bald Hill Truck Trail, Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to N. Down River Rd., Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd., and Wakeley Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: 989-348-6371. For further information, call 989-344-6320.

GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl A. Schreiner reports his department handled the following complaints during the period of May 25 - June 1:

Two traffic warnings, one private property accident, two civil citations issued, three juvenile complaints, three suspicious situations, one assist other department, two disturbance complaints, 6 city ordinance violations, one civil complaint, one alarm complaint, four larceny complaints, one MDOP complaint, two animal control complaints, one stalking complaint and 20 unclassified complaints.

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Bill Evon, and Cindy and Brian Palmer of Grayling, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rachael C. Evon, to John W. Herrick, son of John D. and Janel Herrick of Santa Rosa Beach, Fla., and Louise Herrick of Grand Rapids.

Evon is a 2002 graduate of Grayling High School. She is a 2006 graduate of Ferris State University with a degree in Diagnostic Medical Sonography. She is currently employed as an

ultrasound technologist at Northside Hospital in Atlanta, Ga.

Herrick is a 2000 graduate of Grayling High School. He is a 2004 graduate of Western Michigan University with a degree in Aviation Flight Sciences. He is currently employed as an airline captain in Atlanta, Ga.

A February 21, 2009, wedding is planned in Santa Rosa Beach, Fla.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 116 complaints the week of May 25 - June 1:

One EMS response, one suicide, 18 general non-criminal complaints, one delinquent minor, two walkaways-mental, four false alarm activations, one criminal sexual conduct/sexual assault, two assault/intimidation/stalkings, one assault and battery/simple assault, two burglaries/home invasions, six larcenies, one larceny-other, one fraudulent activity, three damage to properties, one drug/narcotic violation, one liquor law violation, seven public peace/disorderlies, one OUIL/UBAL, five health and safeties, three miscellaneous criminal offenses, 13 traffic accidents, two hazardous conditions, one accident-all other, one inspection/investigation.

tion-motor vehicle, four inspections/investigations-property, one inspection/investigation-other, one lost and found property, 10 family troubles-domestic, 18 suspicious situations and three driving violations/driving while license suspended.

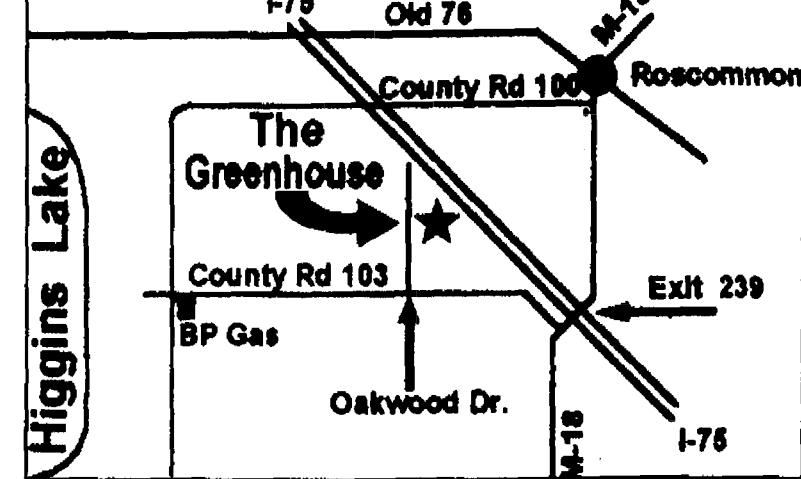
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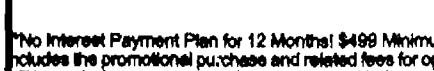
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Photo by Dan Sanderson

The Canadian Fish and Steak Co., located at 2552 South I-75 Business Loop, opened on Memorial Day. Above, Abby Rusinko, the daughter of owner Greg Rusinko, Steve Conklin and manager Patti Sajdak are pictured in the restaurant's main dining room.

Canadian Steak and Fish Co. opens in Grayling

by Dan Sanderson

Staff Writer

A new restaurant has opened its doors in Grayling to satisfy seafood and steak lovers.

The Canadian Fish and Steak Co., located at 2552 South I-75 Business Loop, opened on Memorial Day. The restaurant is in the same location that housed The Moose Pub.

The Canadian Fish and Steak Co. is owned by veteran restauranteur Steve Conklin and his partner Greg Rusinko. The men are grade school and high school buddies from Swartz Creek, and opened up their first Canadian Steak and Fish Co. restaurant in Fenton two years ago.

Conklin has attended classes through the Culinary Institute of America. He has served as the vice president of a national restaurant company which was involved in establishing Wendy's, TGI Fridays and Golden Corral restaurants across

the country. He also founded the National Restaurant Corporation, a business that opened restaurant operations ranging from college bars to upscale steak houses.

Conklin said the business partners believed it was a good fit to locate in Grayling and they were attracted to the building. He said the location also helps the business cater to tourists and business travelers.

"We felt it was a good fit and we have a lot of childhood memories coming up to Grayling and Higgins Lake and canoeing on the river," Conklin said.

Besides some minor remodeling and adding some signage and decor, Conklin said the building was in ideal condition. New plaid carpet will soon be installed to add to the ambiance.

"It will kind of give it that up north feel," Conklin said.

The Canadian Fish and Steak Co. features Calgary angus steaks, which are cut in house. The restaurant offers six kinds of fresh fish.

"From the time the fish is caught to the time it's served, it only takes 48 hours," Conklin said.

The Canadian Fish and Steak Co. features all you can eat fish on Friday, crab legs on Saturday and rib eye steaks on Tuesday. Kids eat for free on Mondays with the purchase of an adult dinner. The restaurant will soon begin serving a brunch on Sunday.

The Canadian Fish and Steak Co. started with a staff of 35 to 40 experienced restaurant employees, including manager Patti Sajdak, who operated Patti's Towne House at that location for 18 years.

Over the next year, the Canadian Steak and Fish Co. plans to add banquet dining facilities and more parking at the restaurant, which will increase the number of employees to 65 people.

"If we keep doing our jobs, they should do well for themselves here," Conklin said.

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46TH CIRCUIT TRIAL COURT

Sentencings for May 2008

Hon. Janet M. Allen

Matthew Joel Ashton, age 29 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Feb. 4, 2008, to operating under the influence of liquor/per se third offense; sentenced on May 5, 2008, to serve 240 days in jail with credit for 22 days served; ordered to pay \$500 penal fine, \$300 circuit court costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee and \$60 state minimum costs; placed on probation for 24 months.

Floyd Eugene Vansickle, age 40 of Grayling - Plead guilty on April 7, 2008, to substance delivery/manufacture marijuana second or subsequent offense-double penalty; sentenced on May 5, 2008, to serve 180 days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 24 months.

Mark David Tremble, age 41 of Roscommon - Plead guilty on April 7, 2008, to substance delivery/manufacture marijuana; sentenced on May 5, 2008, to serve 180 days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 18 months.

Brandon Joseph Colby, age 33 of Grayling - Plead guilty on April 21, 2008, to controlled substance possession less than 25 grams; sentenced on May 19, 2008, to serve 180 days in jail with credit for nine days served; ordered to pay \$350 attorney fee, \$300 circuit court costs, \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee and \$200 restitution; placed on probation for 24 months.

Scott Richard Knierim, age 23 of Saganaw - Plead guilty on April 10, 2008, to home invasion second-degree; sentenced on May 8, 2008, to serve 90 days in jail with credit for five days served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee, \$1,450 restitution and \$300 penal fine; placed on probation for 18 months.

Carey Lee Devault, age 25 of Grayling - Plead no contest on April 7, 2008, to home invasion second-degree; sentenced on May 5, 2008, to serve one year and four months to 15 years in prison with credit for 255 days served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee and \$350 attorney fee.

Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Joseph Lincoln Larry, age 19 of Grayling - Plead guilty on April 21, 2008, to escape-misde-

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The family of Kelli Temple wishes to thank the Grayling Lions, the Roscommon Lions, the Grayling Eagles, Tom and Darlene Olszewski, Norma and Rick Kammerer, Mike and Ruth Stratton, Amanda Kari, Strawberry, Scott McNamara and all who made Kelli's benefit a success. Many thanks and God bless.

Card of Thanks

Our family would like to thank the sheriff's department, the courthouse, 911 and all of our friends and family for their support, prayers and donations during our time of need.

The Kelly family

LIBRARY NEWS

Stop into the Frederic Community Library during the week of June 9-13 and enjoy our "Fun Father's Day" craft table. Make dad something cool to remember for his special day on June 15. Call Connie Meyer for more information, or for the library hours, at 989-348-4067.

Join Miss Connie for the "Catch the Reading Bug Story Hour" on Wednesday, June 11, from 11 a.m. - noon. At the Devereaux Memorial Library, preschool age children are invit-

ed to come and hear Miss C. spin some tales, make crafts and enjoy a snack.

"The Good, the Bad and the Buggy" program at the Devereaux Memorial Library will pit the "Verminator" against the "Bug Doctor." The kids get to decide what bugs should be enjoyed or what bugs should be squished. Special guests will be Craig Kasmer and Mark Lee on Wednesday, June 11, at 1 p.m. Call Miss Jane at 989-348-9214, ext. 205, to sign up or for more information.

BIRTHS

Wendy and Kevin Fleming, of Grayling, announce the birth of their daughter, Rebecca Ann, born at Mercy Hospital on May 23, 2008, at 3:56 p.m., weighing 7 lbs., 12.5 ozs., and measuring 20 inches in length.

Jessica and Jonah Schutte, of Roscommon, announce the birth of their daughter, Faith Suzanne, born at Mercy Hospital on May 25, 2008, at 1:26 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., 12 ozs., and measuring 19 1/2 inches in length.

Michelle and Gary M. Eagly

Jr., of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, Gary Martin Eagly III, born at Mercy Hospital on May 23, 2008, at 8:08 p.m., weighing 5 lbs., 9 ozs., and measuring 19 1/4 inches in length.

Emily Annabel and Christopher Howard, of Grayling, announce the birth of a son, Brian Christopher, born at Mercy Hospital on May 26, 2008, at 1:56 p.m., weighing 7 lbs., 7.2 ozs., and measuring 20 1/2 inches in length.

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Tracy Payne, of Grayling, and a junior at Michigan Technological University, was inducted into the Michigan Tech chapter of the business honor society, Beta Gamma Sigma.

Payne plans to graduate with a bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in marketing in December 2009.

She is the daughter of John and Stephanie Payne of Grayling.

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were in the house."

Lord called her sons Gavin, age 6, and Kameron, age 4, to come and look at the bear, and took a photo of their backyard guest. She then tried to get in touch with her husband, Joel Lord, who is an employee for Hal's Masonry Inc. Joel's boss, Hal Leas, told Lesley to call 911. Both Leas and Joel thought she was seeing a large cat or another wild animal, but soon showed up to find it was indeed a bear. Joel had to leave for a job site in Harbor Springs.

Grayling City Police Officer Jon Mueller responded to the scene, and requested that Department of Natural Resource (DNR) wildlife biologists and officers come to corral the critter.

DNR officials asked Lesley to take the dogs into the home and try to get them to quit barking. When she was unsuccessful in quieting the black lab, she was asked to put the dog in the family van and drive down the street.

Mark Boersen, a DNR wildlife biologist, attempted to sedate the bear by shooting it with tranquilizer darts.



Photo by Dan Sanderson

DNR officers, Grayling City Police and Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies blocked off the roads and deterred dozens of onlookers who were attracted by the activity or had heard about the bear in the area.

"It had a perfect perch up there and even if it went to sleep, it wouldn't fall out," Lord said.

Eventually, Boersen used four darts to get the bear to fall asleep, since the darts don't contain much drugs and it was difficult to get a clean shot.

"I prefer to go a little on the light side rather than too much," Boersen said.

Lord said she saw the bear yawning, drooling and breathing heavy, but did not hear it growl or do any other vocalization.

"He just sat up there and had a comfortable little spot," Lord said.

DNR officers, Grayling City Police and Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies blocked off the roads and deterred dozens of onlookers who were attracted by the activity or had heard about the bear in the area. They were concerned that the bear would get agitated and also wanted to give the tranquilizer a chance to work.

Lord, who home schools her children, said they retrieved the "Audubon's Field Guide to

Identifying Mammals" and marked off the section regarding black bears.

"I thought that was pretty cute for them," she said.

Around 1 p.m., the bear fell asleep. A DNR officer climbed a ladder and put a rope around the bear's neck. It was then lowered onto a tarp. Several officers then carried the bear to a special wildlife transport cage.

The bear was taken to a large block of undisclosed state-owned land shortly after it was retrieved from the tree.

"There was a lot of time, expense and manpower spent capturing the bear, but that's what we do and that's what we're here for," Boersen said. "We wanted to do what was best for the bear and the people."

Boersen said the bear was a male, and estimated it weighed between 350 and 400 pounds. He said it was likely hungry after coming out of hibernation and was looking for an easy meal. Boersen removed a front tooth to help determine the age of the bear

and placed a tattoo on its lip to help identify the bear.

Boersen said that people should avoid putting garbage out until the morning before trash pick up. He also said that people should avoid having bird feeders that are accessible to bears, and to clean up the bird feed that is spilled around the feeders.

"If you feed birds, you're likely to end up feeding a bear as well," Boersen said. "That's really a hard pill to swallow for people who like to feed the birds."

Lord said her family is not full of avid hunters. Lord moved to Grayling from urban Birmingham, Ala., and this was the first time she has seen a wild bear up close.

"It's just pure city," she said.

Besides having a couple of seat belts chewed up by the dog, Lord said having the bear drop by was an exciting experience for her family.

"It was a once in a lifetime experience, and it makes you wonder why the bear chose our backyard and our tree," she said.

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Road millage placed on November ballot

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receiving \$300,000 from the state for that project, since the road is used to access the North Higgins Lake State Park.

"That's not costing us a dime and we're not spending any of our money on that," said Ken Riehle, chairman of the Crawford County Road Commission board.

The road commission typically likes to reconstruct 8 to 10 miles of road per year, but has to save up just to repair a couple of miles under the current economic conditions. There are over 40 to 50 miles of roadway in the county that need to be repaired.

"Without the additional funding, we are going to fall farther behind, and the roads are going to be in worse condition than they already are," Babcock said.

The road commission is considering grinding up the gravel on Wakeley Bridge Road to use it as a base, then maintaining it as a gravel road to prevent people from driving on the shoulders or down the middle of the road to avoid potholes.

"We just can't afford to keep patching it anymore and it's become a safety issue," Riehle said.

The road commission recently lost four employees due to two retirements and one resignation from an employee who is moving out of the state. They are only replacing two employees.

Riehle said that road commission employees only work four 10 hours days to cut costs. He added that employees are also conscious to curb costs for the agency.

"They're not out there with one guy digging a ditch and two guys holding a shovel," he said.

If voters give the millage a

thumbs up, projects planned by the road commission include:

- Wakeley Bridge Road from M-72 to Conners Flat Road.
- Chase Bridge Road from Pere Cheney Road to M-72.
- County Road 612 between Hartwick Pines Road and Lovells.
- Old-76 (South Grayling Road) from North Higgins Lake Drive to Dort Road.
- Fletcher Road from Old-76 to Military Road.
- Hartwick Pines Road from M-93 to County Road 612.
- Sherman Road from County Road 612 north to the Waters Landfill.
- Fletcher Road from Military Road to the Kalkaska County Line.
- Military Road from North Higgins Lake Drive to Fletcher Road.
- County Road 612 from Stephan Bridge Road to Lovells.
- County Road 612 from Frederic west to the Kalkaska County Line.

Babcock said the list of projects is not set in stone, and the road commission will continue to pursue additional federal and state funds for special projects or circumstances.

Road commission officials plan to form a nonprofit campaign committee to educate the public about the millage, since road commission funds cannot be spent to promote the ballot issue. They also plan to speak with area civic organizations about the millage and the issues the road commission is facing.

"If people want better roads, the roads they're looking at today are what they are going to have until we get some more money coming in," Riehle said.

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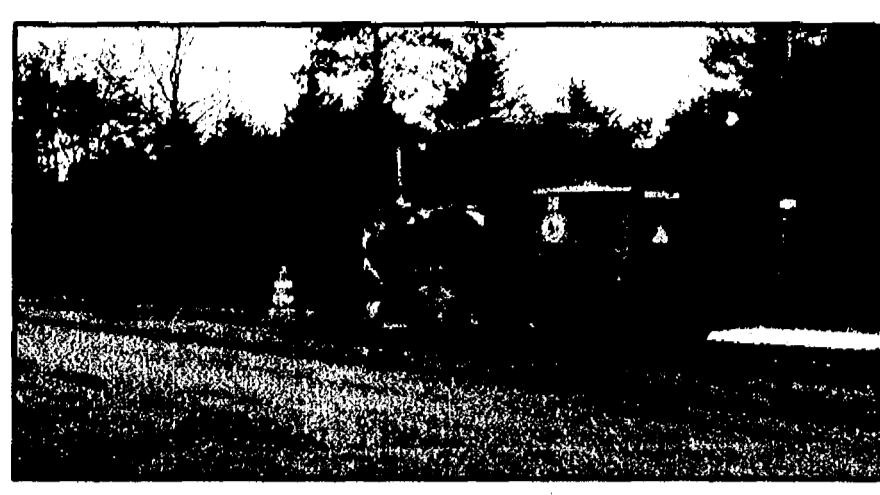


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The Crawford County Board of Commissioners, at its last regular monthly meeting, voted to have a millage proposal, that would fund the Crawford County Road Commission, placed on the Nov. 4 general election ballot. Above, road commission employees prepare North Down River Road for a paving project that will take place next week.

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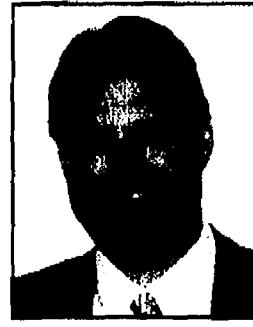
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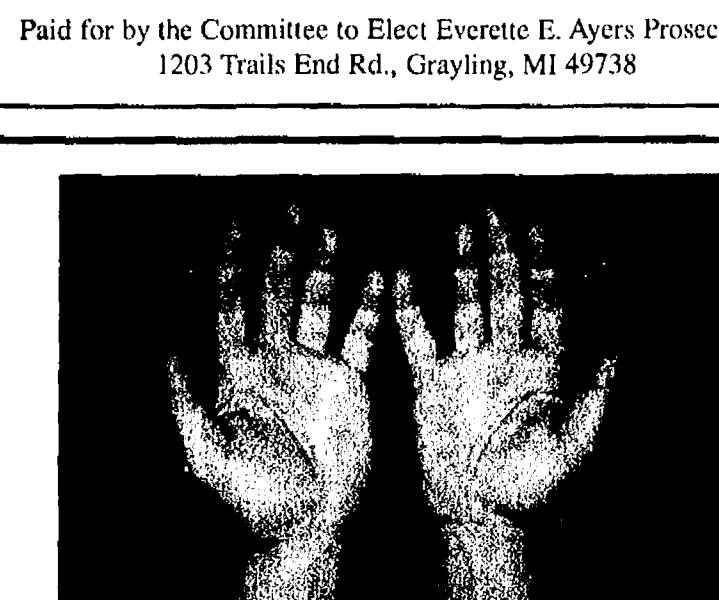
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Thrift buyers peruse Rotary rummage sale



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The Grayling Rotary Club held its annual garage sale, to raise money for its community programs, in the former Fred Bear Archery Building last weekend. Above, Grayling Rotary Club member Larry Akers makes change for Blake Berridge, age 7, who was buying a wooden dolphin statue for his mother.

Exchange students enjoy stay in Grayling

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A pair of exchange students participated in graduation ceremonies at Grayling High School (GHS) on Sunday, as they started wrapping up their stay in the community.

Jan Fried, age 17, and Max Kluge, age 18, were hosted by Mike Shearer as exchange students for the school year.

Fried, of Prague in the Czech Republic which has a population of 1.3 million people, and Kluge, of Bremen, Germany, which has a population of 700,000 people,

said they enjoyed the quiet life of a small town and the nature and the wildlife in the Grayling community.

"I enjoyed meeting new people and friends, and getting to know a new culture," Fried said.

Both students participated on the GHS soccer and track teams, and enjoyed the classes and different school environment in Grayling.

Fried said he enjoyed fishing, snowboarding, shopping and gained an interest in the NBA and the NHL.

Both students said they opted to be exchange students to get exposed to a different culture and improve their English speaking skills.

Kluge said America's affinity with fast food made an impression on him.

"We have fast food, but we don't eat it every day," he said.

Fried's mother, Katerina Friedova (an ova is added to the end of woman's name in the Slovakian language), and Kluge's mother and brother, Birgit and Alex, came to Grayling to be part of their graduation ceremonies and to visit with their teachers.

"I could feel that he did very well and it's been a very incredible experience for him to come to this country," Katerina Friedova said.

Besides communicating through e-mails and phone calls, this was the first time the students have seen their loved ones since last summer.

"I'm proud Max was able to stay by himself, without his family, and learn about the culture in this country," Birgit Kluge said.

Kluge received a tribute from Sen. Tony Stamas, R-Midland, as the April student of the month.

He was nominated by GHS teachers for the recognition.

The students will cap off their stay in the United States with a trip to New York City, where they will take in a professional soccer game while their families enjoy a Broadway play. They will then travel to Washington D.C., where they will tour the White House, and will then tour the Blue Ridge Mountains in Pennsylvania.

Fried said he looks forward to taking in New York City.

"I'm going to see the most interesting thing about America, I think," he said.

Shearer has hosted 24 exchange students in Grayling over the years.

"It's been great and a lot of fun having these two young men here for the year," Shearer said. "It's nice to see them grow as individuals, and it's a win-win for the kids of Grayling who get some exposure to different countries and different cultures."



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A pair of exchange students participated in graduation ceremonies at Grayling High School (GHS) on Sunday, as they started wrapping up their stay in the community. Above, from L to R, are: Jan Fried, Katerina Friedova, host Mike Shearer, Birgit Kluge, Max Kluge and Alex Kluge.

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Baseball team defeats Cadillac, Benzie Central to win district title

Grayling wins championship game 8-3 vs. Cadillac

■ Vikings advance to district finals with 3-1 victory vs. Benzie Central Huskies

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

Grayling High School's varsity baseball team won its third ever district championship — its first since 1993 — with victories vs. the Benzie Central Huskies and Cadillac Vikings on Saturday, May 31, at Gaylord High School.

The Vikings played Benzie Central in the District 34-2 semifinal round on Saturday. The start of the contest was delayed for more than an hour due to rain showers on Saturday morning and poor field conditions caused by Friday night's rainstorm.

In the top of the first inning, starting pitcher Richie Schreiber got the first two batters out with a pop-up and a strikeout. The third batter singled, but Schreiber picked him off at first base for the third out.

Josh Stapleton, the leadoff hitter for GHS, reached base with a walk. A bunt pop fly, a fielder's choice grounder, and a pick-off at first base ended the inning.

Two pop flies and a strikeout ended Benzie Central's second inning in order.

For Grayling, Rocky McNamara walked with one out. Eric Ferrigan singled up the middle to put runners at first and second. The fourth batter of the inning struck out. An errant pick-off throw by Benzie got past second base and went into center field. McNamara scored on the play and Ferrigan advanced to second base. Jimmy Osga walked, and the next batter flied out to center field to end the inning.

Grayling led 1-0 after two innings.

The Huskies led off the third inning with a bunt. A throwing error resulted in the runner advancing to second. A pick-off throw to second base went into center field and the runner went to third base. The Huskies executed a squeeze play. The runner scored from third on the bunt, and the batter was safe at first on the play. A sacrifice bunt moved the runner to second. With two outs and a runner on second, Benzie grounded out to Ferrigan at third base to end the inning.

Grayling grounded out twice and flied out once to end its half of the third inning. The game was tied at 1-1.

Only one runner reached base in the next inning, and the score remained tied at 1-1 after four innings of play.

A strikeout and two ground ball outs ended Benzie's fifth inning, one-two-three.

Osga singled up the middle with one out for Grayling. Benzie got a strikeout for the second out. Osga stole second base. Stapleton then hit what appeared to be a triple, and Osga scored on the play. Benzie Central appealed to the officials that Stapleton failed to touch second base, and the umpire in the field upheld the appeal.

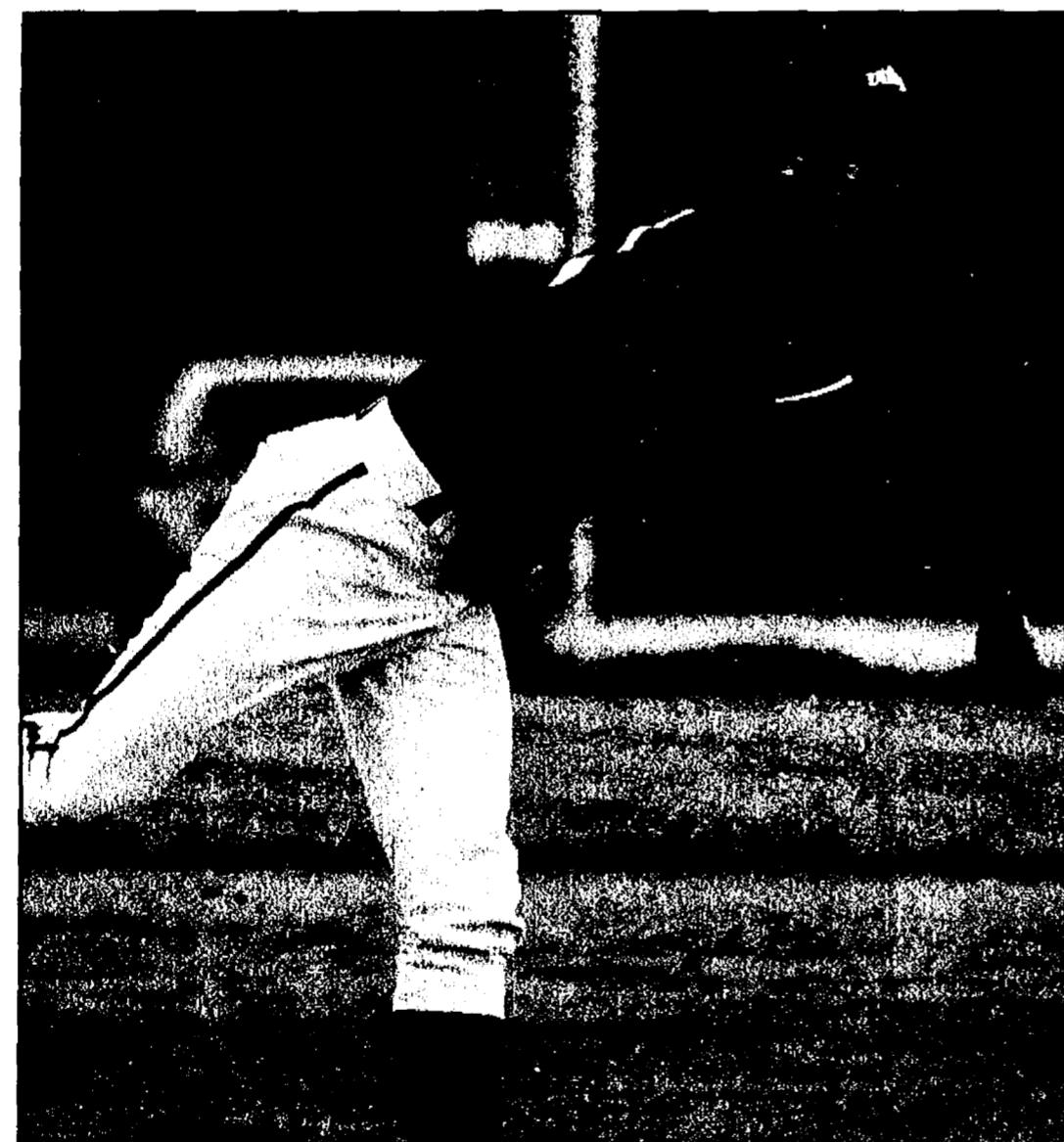
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Photos by Caleb Casey

Grayling High School's baseball team celebrates its district championship on Saturday, May 31. Pictured: (front, L to R) Eric Ferrigan, Geo Bindschatel, Richie Schreiber, Josh Stapleton, Taylor Desenfants, Jimmy Osga, Jensen Aubry; (back, L to R) Assistant Coach Dan Desenfants, Assistant Coach Rob Aubry, Zach Wolcott, Luke Schneider, Peter Alexander, Jake Aubry, Rocky McNamara, Spencer Dean, Andy Hulbert, Luke Pippin, Tyler Hanson, Ethan Neuberger, Mike Davis, Coach John Schneider.



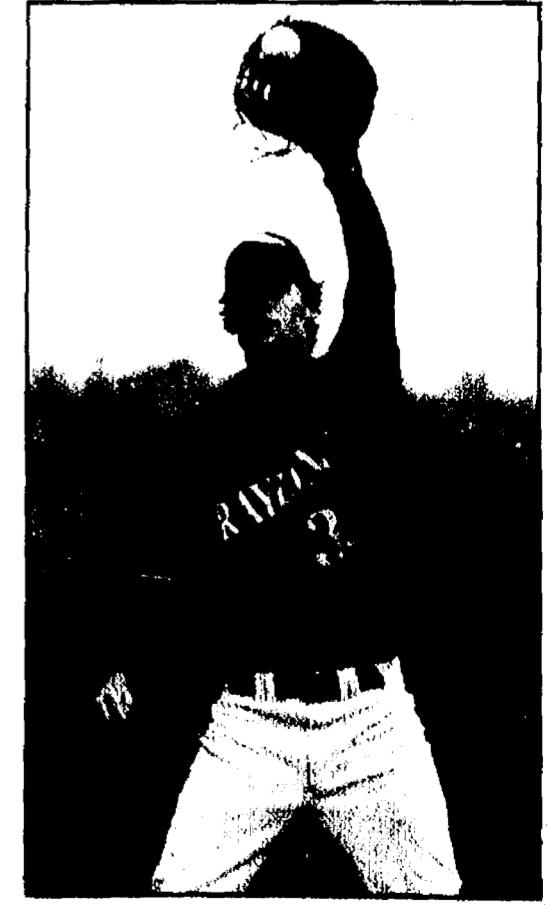
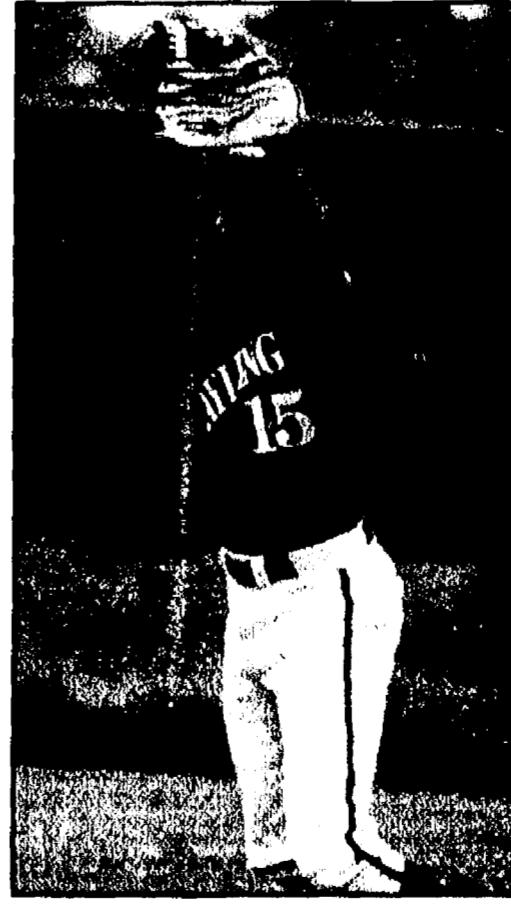
Richie Schreiber pitches against Cadillac on Saturday. Schreiber pitched a complete game vs. Benzie Central, and he pitched three scoreless relief innings vs. Cadillac.



Jimmy Osga runs from second base to third base during Saturday's district championship game against Cadillac.



Geo Bindschatel bunts during a successful squeeze play vs. the Benzie Central Huskies on Saturday.



Right fielder Ethan Neuberger, left, catches a pop fly for the final out in a 3-1 playoff victory over Benzie Central. First baseman Rocky McNamara, right, catches a throw from a teammate during Saturday's game against Cadillac.

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Vikings fall to Benzie Central in district softball semifinals

The GHS varsity softball team's 2008 season came to an end on Saturday with a 9-0 loss to the Benzie Central Huskies in a District 34-2 semifinal game at Gaylord High School.

"Any loss is disappointing, however, giving up nine runs off of just three hits stings a little

more. We didn't make good contact with our bats and Benzie made the easy plays," Coach Keri Brock said.

Joni Bindschatel pitched all six innings for GHS. She allowed three hits and seven walks and finished with three strikeouts.

Offensively, Alyssa Lewis was

1 for 3 with a double. Kirstie Wakeley was 1 for 3 with a single.

"We say goodbye to four seniors that made great contributions to this program. They did everything asked of them and have helped resurrect Grayling softball. I appreciate their efforts and

expect great things from them in the future," Coach Brock said.

(The team's four graduating seniors are Monica Peters, Megan Etzler, Gabby Calkins, and Rachel Ward.)

Grayling finished the season with a 4-10 league record and a 10-25 overall record.



Shortstop Kirstie Wakeley, left, catches a ball at second base for a force out during Saturday's district game against Benzie Central. Alyssa Lewis, right, runs to first base on Saturday.



Soccer team ends season with 2-1 shootout loss in districts

The GHS girls soccer team

ended its 2008 season with a 2-1 loss to Oscoda at Roscommon in the District 48-3 semifinals. The contest had to be decided with a penalty kick shootout after 110 scoreless minutes.

Both 40-minute halves of regulation ended in a 0-0 score. The game was also scoreless after two sudden death overtime periods, so the contest went to a shootout.

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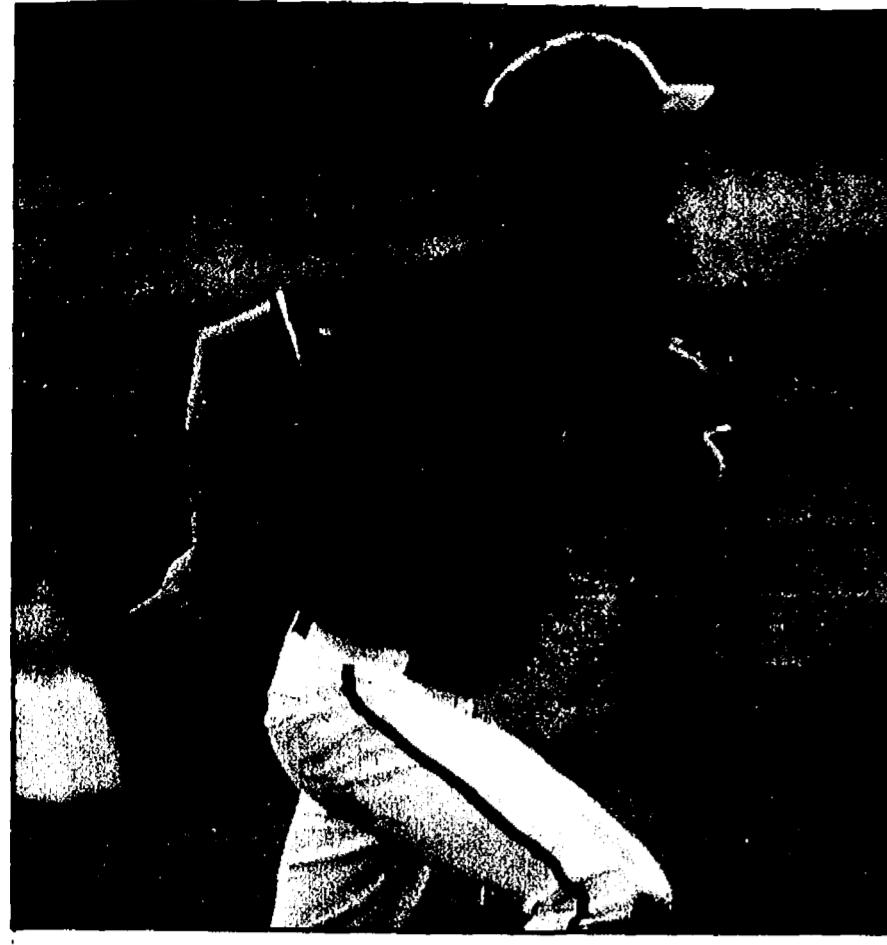
Grayling's 400-meter relay

team and 800-meter relay team both took second place. The 400-meter relay squad consisted of Jamie Hagerman, Annie Melroy, McMahon, and Brianna Kirk. The 800-meter relay group included Hagerman, Kirk, Rachel Ward, and McMahon.

"Hailey had a dominating performance today. She was very focused and knew what she wanted today. Both relays lost to Gaylord. We knew we were going to be challenged by them and they were very impressive. Both relays gave everything they had and we simply lost to a much better team," Coach Tim Gariglio said.

Wendy's Vikings of the Week

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Josh Stapleton, left, runs to first base during Saturday's district game against the Benzie Central Huskies. Taylor Desenfants, right, throws a pitch vs. Cadillac on Saturday afternoon.

Baseball team defeats Cadillac, Benzie Central to win district title

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resulting in the third out. The run counted, however, and Grayling led 2-1 after five innings.

Benzie Central struck out, grounded out, walked, and flied out to left field to end its half of the sixth inning.

In the bottom of the sixth, Taylor Desenfants walked to lead off the inning. A pinch runner for Desenfants got picked off at first base for the first out of the inning. Schreiber doubled, and Tyler Hanson replaced him on the base paths as a courtesy runner. A bunt by Benzie's pitcher moved Hanson to third. The Vikings tried a squeeze play. With Hanson on his way home, Geo Bindschatel got the bunt down and Hanson scored on the play. Rocky McNamara singled, and the next batter flied out to end the inning.

Grayling led 3-1 going into the top of the seventh (final) inning.

Schreiber struck out the first two Benzie batters. He also struck out the next batter, but the ball got by the catcher on the third strike and the runner advanced to first base. The next batter flied out to Ethan Neuberger in right field, and Grayling won 3-1.

Schreiber picked up the win. He finished with seven strikeouts and two walks.

"We played one of the best games of the season. The key was no errors, and executing plays to perfection," Coach John Schneider said.

In the other semifinal game, Cadillac defeated Gaylord 9-7, setting up a district championship contest featuring the Grayling Vikings and Cadillac Vikings.

Desenfants, the starting pitcher for Grayling, got off to a good

start with a one-two-three first inning. The inning included a strikeout, a ground out, and a fly out.

Grayling also went out in order in the first inning.

Cadillac started the second inning with a double to right field. Grayling got the first out with a ground ball. An error on the play resulted in a run for Cadillac. Two ground ball outs ended the inning. Cadillac led 1-0.

Bindschatel walked, Hanson, a courtesy runner for Bindschatel, stole second base. The next two batters flied out. Peter Alexander walked and Jacob Aubry was hit by a pitch, loading the bases. A ground ball got Cadillac out of the inning.

Cadillac singled to lead off the third inning. A fielder's choice play got the lead runner at second. Cadillac stole second. On a ground ball, Grayling got the lead runner in a rundown for an out, but the batter advanced to second base on the play. The next batter hit a triple to drive in another run. Grayling intentionally walked the next batter, and a ground ball out ended the inning.

Stapleton was hit by a pitch to start the bottom of the third inning. The next three plate appearances for Grayling resulted in outs. GHS trailed 2-0 after three innings.

With one out, Cadillac reached base on an error. A ground ball resulted in a second out. An overthrow on a pick-off attempt moved the runner to third base. The runner scored on a bloop single to center field. A ground ball out ended the inning. Cadillac led 3-0.

Grayling responded with a three-run fourth inning. McNamara led off the inning

with a double to right field. Ferrigan reached base with an infield single, and McNamara advanced to third. Alexander singled to left to drive in McNamara. A sacrifice bunt by Aubry put runners at second and third with one out. Ferrigan scored on a sacrifice fly by Osga. Stapleton doubled with two outs to drive in Alexander. A ground ball ended the inning. The score was tied at 3-3 after four innings.

Cadillac led off the fifth inning with a double. Schreiber replaced Desenfants as the pitcher for Grayling. The runner advanced to third on a ground ball out. Grayling issued an intentional walk to the next batter. Schreiber and McNamara, the first baseman, picked the runner off at first for the second out of the inning. A ground ball out got Grayling out of the inning.

Bindschatel walked with one out, and Hanson - a courtesy runner for him - came in the game and stole second. Hanson advanced to third on a fly out, and scored on an infield single by Ferrigan. Alexander singled to right, but the next batter struck out to end the inning.

The Grayling Vikings led 4-3 after five innings.

With one out, Cadillac had runners at first and second after a walk and a base awarded due to catcher's interference. Schreiber and McNamara picked off the runner at first for the second out. Schreiber struck out the next batter to end the inning.

Grayling scored four runs in the bottom of the sixth inning. Osga led off with an infield single. Stapleton doubled to put runners at second and third. Both runners scored on a throwing error to first base. Schreiber singled to left, putting Desenfants at

third and Andy Hulbert, a courtesy runner for Schreiber, at first. Hulbert stole second. Bindschatel grounded out, but Desenfants scored on the play. McNamara grounded out, but got an RBI on the play with Hulbert crossing the plate. Ferrigan doubled. The next batter flied out to end the inning, but Grayling led 8-3 going into the top of the seventh (final) inning.

Schreiber struck out the first two Cadillac batters. A fly out to Stapleton in center field ended the game.

Grayling won 8-3, and clinched its first district title for baseball in 15 years.

"The win ended a long drought for the Vikings in the districts. It's been 15 years since we won a district, and 31 years before that. We have only won two district titles in school history in baseball - 1977 and 1993. It has been a great season for the kids. They worked hard and deserved the title. Assistant coaches (Dan) Desenfants and (Rob) Aubry worked very hard this season and deserve a lot of credit for the time they contributed," Coach Schneider said.

Grayling (21-14 overall, 9-5 league) will play Escanaba on Saturday, June 7, at 12 p.m. at Benzie Central in the Region 9-2 semifinals. The other semifinal game will feature Big Rapids and Ogemaw Heights.

Desenfants, the starting pitcher for Grayling, got off to a good

Split at Kalkaska results in 2nd place league finish

Varsity baseball team wins game 1 vs. Blazers 6-2, but Kalkaska wins game 2

The Grayling Vikings defeated the Kalkaska Blazers 6-2 in game one of last Tuesday's varsity baseball doubleheader at Kalkaska, but the Blazers won the second game by a final score of 6-2.

Richie Schreiber pitched a complete game for the Vikings in game one of the series. He allowed one earned run on three hits and finished with eight strikeouts.

At the plate, Schreiber was 3 for 3 with 3 RBIs. Rocky McNamara was 1 for 3 with two RBIs. Taylor Desenfants was 2 for 2 with two runs scored and one RBI. Zach Wolcott was 1 for 3 with one run scored. Peter Alexander was 1 for 3.

Desenfants and Schreiber pitched for Grayling in game two's 6-2 loss. The Vikings committed four costly errors in the contest.

Leading hitters for GHS were: Josh Stapleton, 1 for 2; Schreiber, 1 for 3, 1 RBI, 1 run scored; Eric Ferrigan, 2 for 3, 1 RBI, 2 stolen bases; Desenfants, 1 for 3; McNamara, 1 RBI.

The loss in game two clinched the league title for Elk Rapids. Grayling finished second in the Lake Michigan Conference with a 9-5 league record.

On Saturday, May 24, the Vikings posted a 1-1 record at the Alpena Tournament.

Grayling lost to Sault Ste. Marie 19-4.

Leading hitters for GHS were: Schreiber, 1 for 1, 1 home run, 4 RBIs, 1 run scored; Desenfants, 2 for 2, 1 run scored; Stapleton, 1 for 2, 1 stolen base; Jimmy Osga, 1 for 1.

The Vikings defeated the Charlevoix Rayders 7-3 at Alpena.

Desenfants, the starting pitcher, picked up the win. He allowed two earned runs on five hits and five walks. Schreiber pitched the final inning.

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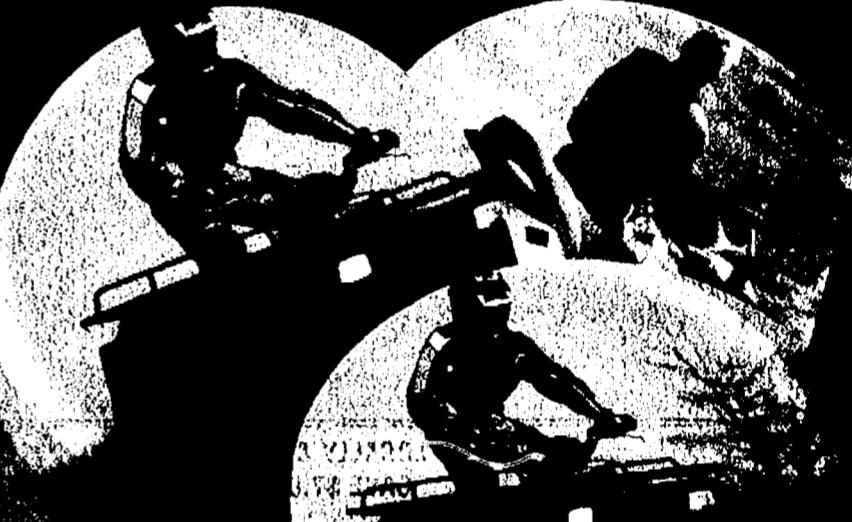


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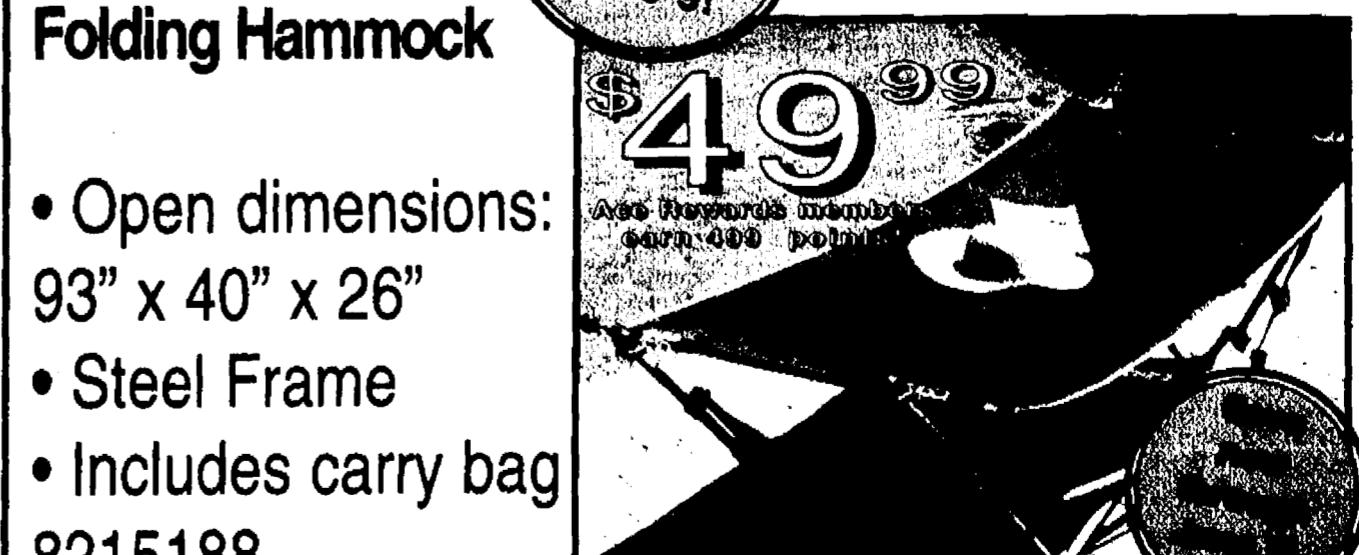
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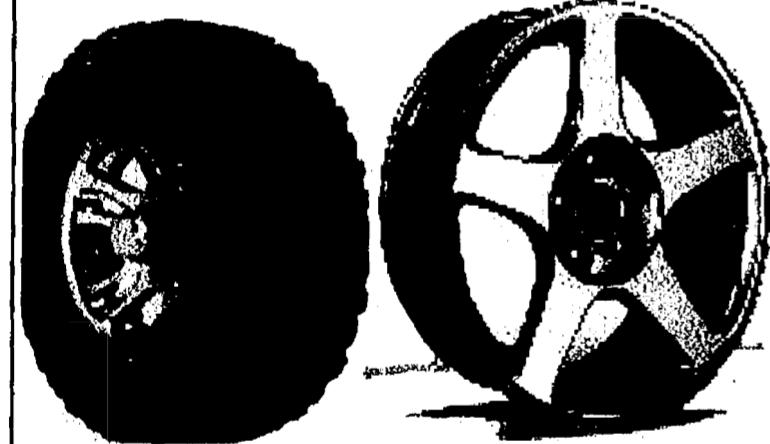
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JV baseball team ends year with sweep vs. Kalkaska

■ Vikings finish 2008 season with 18-8 record after 13-5, 7-2 victories over Blazers

The GHS junior varsity baseball squad concluded its 2008 season with a 13-5, 7-2 series sweep vs. the Kalkaska Blazers last Tuesday at Grayling High School.

Jensen Aubry was the winning pitcher for Grayling in game one. He allowed five hits and three walks in five innings, and finished with 11 strikeouts.

Tyler Hanson, the winning pitcher for GHS in game two, struck out eight batters in five innings. He scattered seven hits and two walks.

Leading hitters for Grayling in the series were: Hanson, 3 for 7; Jake Helsel, 4 for 7; Ethan Lewis, 3 for 4; Aubry, 3 for 6; Joey Contreras, 3 for 6; Joe Tottingham, 2 for 5; Matt Hellebuyck, 3 for 3.

"(We) finished (the) season with a strong presence on the mound and at the plate. The team played well and are deserving of their record," Coach Rob Aubry said.

The Vikings finished the season with an 18-8 overall record

and an 8-4 record in league games.

The team's May 22 double-header vs. Gladwin was canceled due to a scheduling conflict.

The Vikings lost both games of a doubleheader at Alpena on May 20. The Wildcats won 12-5, 13-3.

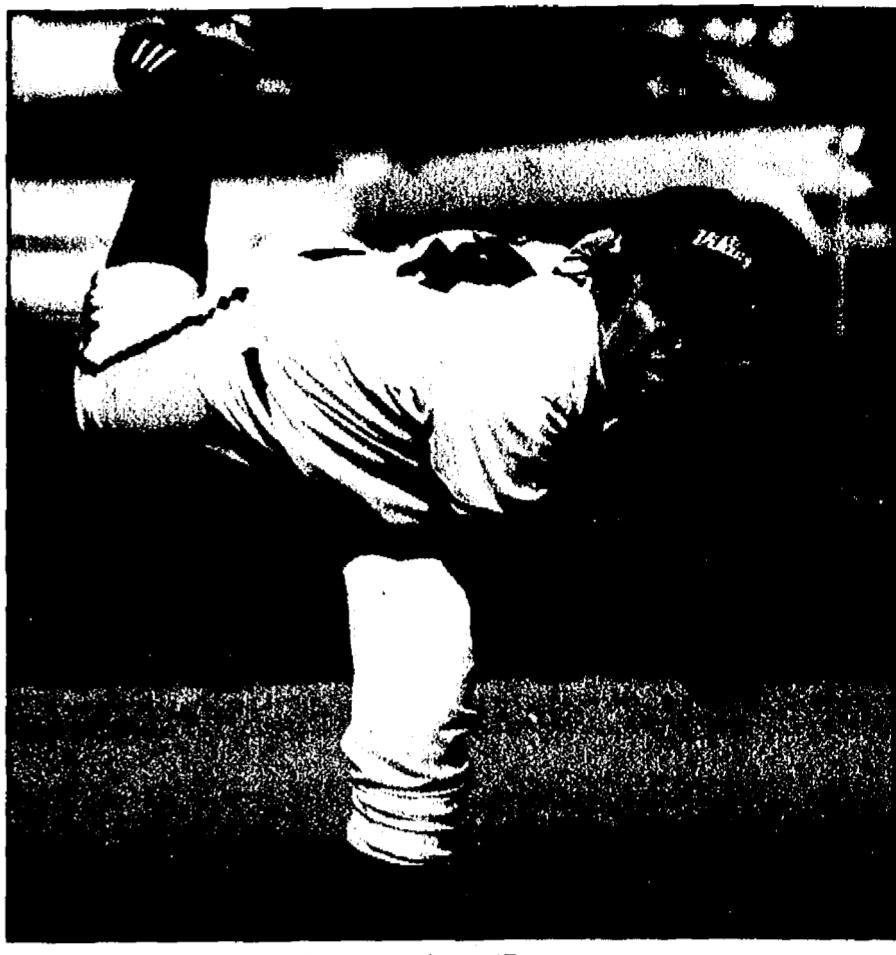
"We managed to score first in both games, but couldn't match the firepower of the Alpena team. We ran into some early pitching trouble and spotted Alpena too many runs to overcome in game one," Coach Aubry said. "In game two, they had nine hits to our five, and were able to get more runners across home plate."

Grayling swept the Roscommon Bucks 13-1, 7-6 in a series played at GHS on May 19.

Aubry pitched a one-hitter for Grayling in game one. He finished with eight strikeouts.

"Another excellent start for Jensen Aubry, who limited Roscommon to one hit in five innings while striking out eight," Coach Aubry said. "Jensen helped his cause with a three-run home run he hit to left center in the bottom of the first inning. The Vikings never looked back."

Tottingham was the winning pitcher for GHS in the second



Jensen Aubry pitches against Roscommon.

game. He struck out nine batters and walked one in six innings.

"Joe Tottingham appeared on the mound for the fourth time this season, holding the Bucks to six runs. A late rally in the bottom of the sixth inning won it for us. With one out, Ethan Lewis

doubled in Hanson and Helsel for the tie, and then Jensen Aubry

singled in Lewis for the win. The boys played hard and never gave up," Coach Aubry said.

Leading hitters for Grayling in the doubleheader were: Hanson, 4 for 7; Helsel, 4 for 7; Aubry, 5 for 6; Lewis, 2 for 6; Contreras, 3 for 4; Willy Ryan, 2 for 6; Hellebuyck, 1 for 5; Tottingham, 2 for 5.

Golf team qualifies for regionals, falls short of state finals

by Eric Rutter
Special Writer

On Thursday, May 29, the Grayling High School boys golf team traveled to Big Rapids for regionals. At Katke Golf Course, a 302 by Big Rapids took the victory out of a 12-team field. Grayling finished

sixth (338), just four strokes from advancing to the state finals.

In the last match of the year for Grayling, Taylor Desenfants and Josh Johnson led the team with 80 strokes each. Rocky McNamara shot an 83 over 18 holes. Trent Larm (95) and Jordan Helsel (108) rounded out the team for GHS.

"Everybody on varsity played really well at one point throughout the season," said Coach

Mark Rutter. "We just never managed to get everyone playing well on the same day. Considering the youth on our team, our upcoming seasons hold promise for greater success."

The golf team traveled to Buelah on Thursday, May 22, to compete in districts. Out of a 10-team field, Charlevoix took first place with a score of 328.

Roscommon and Grayling placed second and third, shoot-

ing 342 and 346, respectively.

"As a whole, we were solid throughout the day," said Coach Rutter. "The team played well enough to get the job done."

Desenfants and Larm led Grayling, each shooting 85 over 18 holes. McNamara and Johnson finished with 88 strokes each.

"To qualify for regionals, you must place sixth or higher at districts, which we did," said Coach Rutter.

GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

Submitted by Sherry Hanson
Wednesday Ladies League

May 28 was our first actual day of league play and it felt great to be out and enjoying the beautiful sunshine.

Jeannette Kitchen had a great round as usual with a birdie on hole #16. Two other gals had chip-ins, Nancy Hoffman on hole #16 and Sherry Hanson on

hole #18. Jeannette also came in with a low net of 33 and tied with Shelly Cohee for low putts of 16 for Flight A.

In Flight B, Balkis Shippy and Sherry Hanson tied with a low net of 35, while Balkis and Ann Latusek also had a tie of 15 low putts.

In Flight C, Diana Doremire had a low net of 35 and miss

putts. Mo McNamara had low putts of 16.

Our lunch choices were seafood Cobb salad, which was wonderful, while others enjoyed the turkey swiss croissant.

Donna Thomson will be back, joining us next week after her successful cataract surgery, so I guess that's all "fore" now.

FOX RUN GOLF

Thursday Ladies League

The standings for Thursday,

May 29, are as follows.

In Flight 1, the wins were Upton and Ferguson with 54, Ostling and J. McKindles with 46, Baetens and Bradley with 44.5, Gust and Griffin with 43, K. Freer and Longendyke with 34.5 and Marshall and Hall with 30. Baetens and Longendyke both had a low net of 35.

In Flight 2, Coers and B. Freer had a score of 57, Lederman and Bailey had 46, Baker and Baldwin had 46, DeMassa and Willikins had 41, Sullivan and M. McKindles had 30 and Finkbeiner and DiPonio had 29. Freer had a low net of 30. Coers and Sullivan both had a birdie on hole #17.

In Flight 3, the team of Koutnik and Summerix came in with 54, Nester and Close with 49, Patchin and Deloge with 43, Hess and Spangler with 40.5, Kelsey and Funkey with 38.5 and Hanson and Walper with 28. Nester had a low net score of 29.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate

File No. 00-6218-DE

Estate of Frederick Franklin

Findlay, Deceased

Date of birth: 08/26/1931

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Frederick Franklin Findlay, who lived at 375 Mio Dr., Mio, Michigan died 08/23/2000.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Dawn M. LaCasse, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: 5/28/2008

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LEGAL ACTION

STATE OF MICHIGAN

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate

File No. 08-7423-DE

Estate of Arlene M. Richmond

Date of birth: 10-10-14

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Arlene M. Richmond, who lived at 1245 Goose Creek Road, Grayling, Michigan died 12-7-06.

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Date: 5-13-08

Personal representative
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Corporation, Mortgagor, dated June 26, 2006 and recorded July 5, 2006 in Liber 682, Page 230, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Merrill Lynch Mortgage Investors Trust Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates Series 2006-OPT1 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Nine and 95/100 Dollars (\$147,969.95) including interest at 8.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on July 9, 2008.

Said premises are located in the Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 158, Indian Glens of AuSable, Unit Number 2, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 12, Crawford County Records.

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Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Donna R. Harrington to the United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture. The Mortgage is dated May 15, 1995 and was recorded on May 17, 1995 in Liber 394 on pages 10 through 13 of the Crawford County Records. No proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is now Eight Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Eight and 35/100 (\$85,478.35) Dollars.

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MORTGAGE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by ANTHONY W. MCCLENAHAN, A SINGLE MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 26, 2005, and recorded on August 31, 2005, in Liber 677, on Page 188, and assigned by said Mortgagee to US BANK, NA, as assigned, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Seventy-Eight Cents (\$63,818.78), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Dated: May 22, 2008

Said premises are located in the Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

A part of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 33, Town 25 North, Range 3 West. Beginning on its West line 949.6 feet South of the Northwest corner of same; thence Southerly on said West line 150 feet; thence Easterly parallel with South line of same 350.0 feet; thence Northerly parallel with the West line 150.0 feet; thence Westerly 350.0 feet to the point of beginning. The Westerly 100 feet being subject to Highway M-76 and M-18 right of way.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: May 22, 2008

-22-29-5-12

MORTGAGE SALE

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO

COLLECT A DEBT, ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED

FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT

THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage

made by ANTHONY W. MCCLENAHAN, A SINGLE MAN AS HIS SOLE

AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, to Mortgage

Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nomi-

nee for lender and lender's successors and

assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 26,

2005, and recorded on August 31, 2005,

in Liber 677, on Page 188, and assigned

by said Mortgagee to US BANK, NA,

as assigned, Crawford County Records,

Michigan, on which mortgage there is

claimed to be due at the date hereof the

sum of Sixty-Three Thousand Eight

Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Seventy-

Eight Cents (\$63,818.78), including inter-

est at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in

said mortgage and the statute in such case

made and provided, notice is hereby given

that said mortgage will be foreclosed by

a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some

part of them, at public venue, at the front

door of the County Building in Grayling,

Michigan at 10:00 AM o'clock, on June 18, 2008.

The redemption period shall be 6 months

from the date of such sale, unless deter-

mined abandoned in accordance with

MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the

redemption period shall be 30 days from

the date of such sale.

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing

mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that

event, your damages, if any, are limited

solely to the return of the bid amount

tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: May 22, 2008

For more information, please call:

FC S 248.593.1304

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer

31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200

Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525

File #129540F04

Description to include lands lying between said traverse line and the edge of water of the AuSable River between the Westerly extensions of the Northerly and Southerly lines as described herein. Land subject to the Northerly portion thereof as Pollack Bridge Road and any easements, restrictions, or rights of way of record.

In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Crystal Young, a single woman, as her sole and separate property, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 7, 2006, and recorded on September 19, 2006 in Liber 683 on Page 235, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Eighty And 24/100 Dollars (\$75,080.24), including interest at 8% per annum.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 2008

For more information, please call:

FC D 248.593.1309

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Attorneys For Servicer

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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525

File #146678F02

-15-22-29-5

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John W. Dankert and Julie E. Dankert, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated February 18, 2005, and recorded on March 4, 2005 in Liber 674 on Page 37, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Eight And 14/100 Dollars (\$100,178.14), including interest at 5.125% per annum.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on June 18, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 186, Indian Glens of the AuSable, Unit 2, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 12, Crawford County Records.

LEGAL ACTION

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

FOSTER, SWIFT, COLLINS & SMITH, P.C. IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF MORTGAGOR IS IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

DEFAULT having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made on August 18, 2006, by Maurice A. Sheko and Patricia A. Sheko, husband and wife, as Mortgagor, given by them to First National Bank of America, whose address is 241 E. Saginaw Hwy., Suite 600, P.O. Box 980, East Lansing, Michigan 48826-0980, as Mortgagee, and recorded on October 11, 2006, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 683, Page 611, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid, as of the date of this Notice, the sum of Thirty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-One and 08/100 Dollars (\$36,531.08); and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt or any part thereof secured by said Mortgage, and the power of sale in said Mortgage having become operative by reason of such default;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday, July 9, 2008 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, that being one of the places for holding the Circuit Court for Crawford County, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder or bidders at public auction or venue for purposes of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on said Mortgage, together with all allowable costs of sale and includable attorney fees, the lands and premises in said Mortgage mentioned and described as follows:

LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF FREDERIC, COUNTY OF CRAWFORD, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS:

PARCEL 1
Being a part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 13, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan. Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of Section 13, T 28 N, R 4 W, thence South 0 degrees 07 minutes 57 seconds West along the West section line 2454.17 feet; thence North 52 degrees 33 minutes 11 seconds East 179.91 feet for a point of beginning; thence continuing North 52 degrees 33 minutes 11 seconds East 297.65 feet; thence North 88 degrees 42 minutes 11 seconds East 572.44 feet; thence South 0 degrees 08 minutes 26 seconds East along the West 1/8 line 510.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 37 minutes 27 seconds West 1206.03 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL 2
Being a part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 13, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan. Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of Section 13, T28N, R4W, thence South 0 degrees 07 minutes 57 seconds West along the West section line 2454.17 feet; thence North 52 degrees 33 minutes 11 seconds East 977.56 feet; thence North 23 degrees 07 minutes 10 seconds East 531.65 feet; thence North 12 degrees 05 minutes 47 seconds East 458.66 feet; thence North 9 degrees 20 minutes 24 seconds East 195.32 feet; thence North 32 degrees 07 minutes 10 seconds East 88.49 feet; thence North 57 degrees 59 minutes 30 seconds West 35.54 feet; thence North 2 degrees 34 minutes 04 seconds East 52.02 feet; thence North 89 degrees 52 minutes 16 seconds East 212.62 feet; thence South 0 degrees 08 minutes 26 seconds East along the West 1/8 line 1243.47 feet; thence South 86 degrees 42 minutes 11 seconds West 572.44 feet to the point of beginning.

Commonly known address: vacant land off Hawk Road.
Tax parcel numbers 031-013-010-039-00 and 031-013-010-040-00.

The period within which the above premises may be redeemed shall expire one (1) year from the date of sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with M.C.L.A. Sec. 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the time of such sale.

Dated: May 16, 2008

FOSTER, SWIFT, COLLINS & SMITH, P.C.
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF AMERICA
Benjamin J. Price
of East Lansing, Michigan, Mortgagee
Attorneys for Mortgagee
313 S. Washington Square
Lansing, MI 48933
(517) 371-8253

-5-12-19-26

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph R. Bresette, And Theresa Bresette, Husband and Wife as Joint Tenants with Rights of Survivorship, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 17, 2004, and recorded on May 25, 2004 in Liber 668 on Page 487, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Five And 35/100 Dollars (\$53,465.35), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on July 9, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: A part of the South 1/2 of Northeast 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 of Section 29, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, commencing at the Northeast corner thereof and running thence North 89 degrees 47 minutes West on the North line thereof 743.5 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 89 degrees 47 minutes West 160 feet; thence South 0 degrees 02 minutes East, 660.7 feet; thence South 89 degrees 47 minutes East, 160 feet; thence North 0 degrees 02 minutes West 660.7 feet to the place of beginning, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with M.C.L.A. 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 5, 2008
For more information, please call:
FC X 248,593,1302
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Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #205430F01

-5-12-19-26

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ernest Balch a Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 8, 2006, and recorded on June 9, 2006 in Liber 681 on Page 883, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Two And 33/100 Dollars (\$72,952.33), including interest at 7.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on July 9, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block 28, Roffee's Addition to Village (Now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with M.C.L.A. 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 5, 2008
For more information, please call:
FC S 248,593,1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
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31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #147968F02

-5-12-19-26

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Leah M. Deardorff an Unmarried Woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 22, 2007, and recorded on June 29, 2007 in Liber 687 on Page 524, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twelve Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Eight And 15/100 Dollars (\$112,298.15), including interest at 7.95% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on June 25, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel AA-1: A parcel of land located in the southeast 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of section 6, town 25 north, range 3 west, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan, being further described as follows: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said section 6, town 25 north, range 3 west, thence south 89 degrees 04 minutes 40 seconds west along the south section line 1316.40 feet for a point of beginning; thence continuing south 89 degrees 04 minutes 40 seconds West 199.55 feet, thence north 00 degrees 24 minutes 53 seconds east 319.79 feet; thence north 89 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds east 129.60 feet; thence south 89 degrees 25 minutes 00 seconds west along the east 1/8 line 639.67 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with M.C.L.A. 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 22, 2008
For more information, please call:
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #203453F01

-22-29-5-12

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on July 9, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The North half of the East half of the East half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 22, Township 25 North, Range 4 West, Crawford County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with M.C.L.A. 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 5, 2008
For more information, please call:
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File #204850F01

-5-12-19-26

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Patrick J. Hiar, unmarried, original mortgagor(s), to Aggressive Mortgage Co., original mortgagee, dated March 30, 1998, and recorded on April 6, 1998 in Liber 450, page 490, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Assignee of mortgage by assignment, Unicor Mortgage, Inc., Affidavit of Lost Assignment of Mortgage recorded on February 1, 2007 in Liber 686, page 130, Crawford County Records. Assignee of mortgage by assignment, EMC Mortgage Corp. recorded on February 1, 2007 in Liber 685, page 131, Crawford County Records. Assignee of mortgage by assignment, Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A. recorded on January 15, 1999 in Liber 471, page 546, Crawford County Records. Assignee of mortgage by assignment, WM Specialty Mortgage LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Fourteen And 90/100 Dollars (\$107,814.90), including interest at 8.999% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on June 25, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 1, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, thence North 0 Degrees 56 Minutes East 258.80 Feet for the Point of beginning. Thence continuing North along North/South 1/4 line to R.R. Right of Way. Thence Continuing along said Right of Way to a point 351.34-Feet Southeast of East/West 1/4 Line. Thence North 89 Degrees 12 Minutes West 199.05 Feet, Thence South 6 Degrees 46 minutes East 248.2 Feet, Thence North 83 Degrees 14 Minutes East to the point of beginning. All being North and East of Sherwood Forest Subdivision and South and West of the R.R. Right of Way

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with M.C.L.A. 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 29, 2008
For more information, please call:
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #204275F01

-29-5-12-19

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on July 9, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the East 1/2 of the West 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of section 26, town 25 north, range 4 west, thence North 416 feet, thence West 200 feet thence South 416 feet to Point of Beginning, in Section 3, Town 25 North, Range 4 West

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with M.C.L.A. 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brett Stahl AKA Brett C. Stahl, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 17, 2006, and recorded on February 22, 2006 in Liber 679 on Page 898, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Six And 40/100 Dollars (\$69,296.40), including interest at 11.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on July 9, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of section 26, town 25 north, range 4 west being and lying North of the County Road, Section 27, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, Except the West 5 Rods thereof

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with M.C.L.A. 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 5, 2008
For more information, please call:
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File #202337F01

-22-29-5-12

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on July 9, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point 297 feet South of the Northwest

FEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
June 6, 1985

Charles Hass, a detective for the Crawford County Sheriff's Department, was attending a training seminar at Kalkaska, when he heard Kalkaska detectives talking about a pair of suspects in several breaking and enterings. Haas compared notes with the Kalkaska law officers and discovered the suspects fit descriptions for several Crawford County breaking and enterings. The Kalkaska County Sheriff's Department nabbed the suspects on a breaking and entering in progress call and Crawford County joined in the investigation. The Crawford County Sheriff's Department recovered items valued at more than \$1,500 believed to have been taken in four breaking and enterings along Fletcher Road. Other items, ranging from saws, drills, tools, freezers and other household goods, were recovered from Prudenville.

The largest herb farm in northern Michigan held a grand opening on Friday to show its more than 200 species of herbs. Cerelli's Herb Farm, operated by Patrick and Diana Cerelli, is located just north of Frederic on Old 27 and has an astonishing display of a variety of plants. There is also a spice shop with more than 150 herbs and spices, teas, oils and other supplies.

A pollution study of Lake Margrethe found most septic systems along the lake are not degrading the water. Four isolated cases were found, however, where septic systems were probably the cause of reduced water quality. The study found a high level of nutrient pollution entering the lake near a year-round residence in Portage Lake Park Subdivision. A new mound of wastewater system was installed at the site in 1983. The mound had been installed as far away from the lake as possible, but apparently a stream is now picking up the discharge of nutrients from the mound system and is transporting them rapidly into the lake. The study recommended channeling the small stream through solid pipe from a road culvert to the lake to solve the problem.

Chemical Bank North announced that Sharon Niebrzowski has been promoted to assistant cashier, Andrea Weiss was promoted to assistant cashier and assistant branch manager of the Roscommon office and Wendy Bennett-Wiltse has been appointed administrative assistant in the customer service area and the employee benefit program.

46 Years Ago

June 7, 1962

As of Friday, June 15, the City of Grayling will close and aban-

don the present city dump site and open the sanitary land fill project, located south of M-72 and east of the I-75 expressway. The project was not opened as soon as originally planned due to the length of time taken to construct a new road to the landfill.

On May 30, Memorial Day 1962, a Scramble Tournament was played at the Grayling Golf Course. Over 30 people enjoyed the afternoon activities. The first place team with a score of 68 for eighteen holes was Don Akers, Jack Gunderson, Eunice Slusser and Eleanor Holtcamp. The second place team with a score of 69 consisted of Dr. Leonard Allison, Harry Young, Isabelle Allison and Jessie Young and the third place team, with a score of 70, was Jim Brown, Dick DuBois, Bill Ann Brown and Ann DuBois.

Two members of the Kiwanis Club of Grayling left this week to be in attendance at the International Convention of Kiwanis in Denver, Colo. Lt. Governor Arthur Clough will represent the Houghton Lake club and Leslie Hunter is the representative of the Grayling club.

Mr. Fred Bear returned home after several weeks of hunting in Alaska with Robert Munger of Charlotte. He brought home a 9-foot Kodiak bear which he shot with a bow and arrow in the Alaskan peninsula.

69 Years Ago

June 8, 1939

Grayling and the vicinity was visited by a severe storm Wednesday afternoon, the wind

playing havoc for a few minutes. At Lake Margrethe it is reported that the storm took cyclone proportions and tore across the lake in what seemed to be two twisters. The porch of the A.M. Lewis cottage was torn completely off and tossed over the roof against the trees at the rear of the house.

Lack of power Wednesday put the Avalanche in the hole by keeping the linotype and presses idle. The power was off for over two hours.

Grayling was in quite a jitter last Friday when Jack Dempsey, famed pugilist, spent the day here. He arrived about midnight on Thursday and was a guest of Harold (Spike) MacNeven for the day.

Horace Shaw is having a fine new cottage built at Lake Margrethe, located on the lake front next to the Oscar Hanson property.

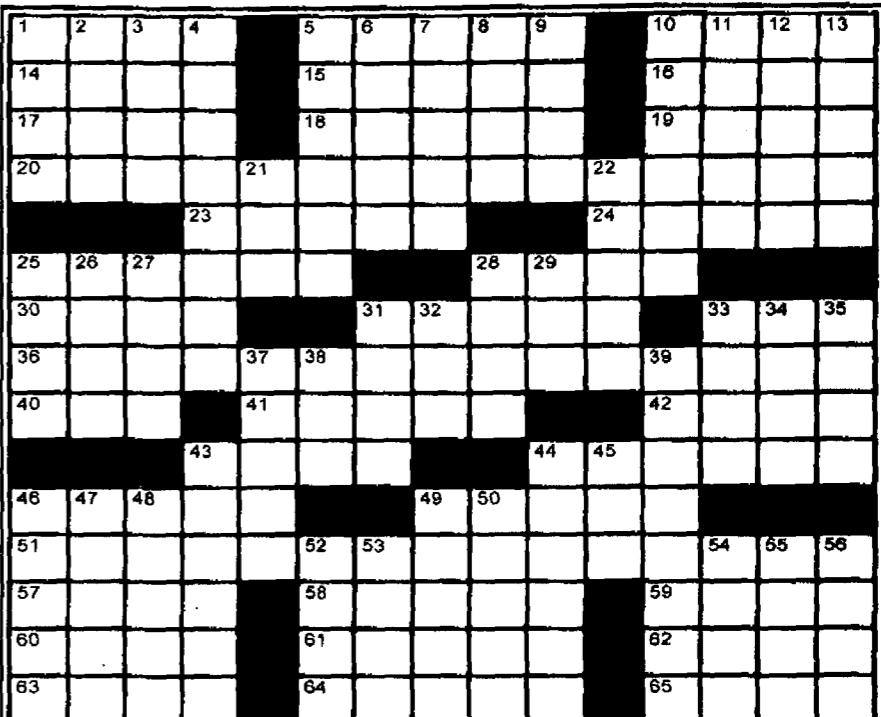
92 Years Ago

June 8, 1916

The Chris Johnson lumber camp, some 11 miles west of Grayling, was burned completely out Saturday night, May 27. Mr. Johnson had about 50 men employed and was getting out lumber for Salling, Hanson and Co. The origin of the fire is unknown.

T.E. Douglas has just received and installed a new refrigerator, which is the only one of its kind, having drawn his own design and having it made to order. It has 39 individual fish drawers.

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- Betting game
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- Avid
- Customary observance
- Beanary sign
- Jewish month
- Heirloom location
- "That's ____ ..."
- Placeholder phrase
- A pint, maybe
- Fine dinnerware
- Computer image
- City in central China
- Long brightly coloured shaw
- Bloodless
- Cow
- Official temporarily in charge of a diplomatic mission
- Basic unit of money in Ghana
- Recurring theme
- Joint problem
- Big Indian
- Accustom
- Aesop's also-ran
- Husk
- Circus employee
- Think or believe
- Highlander
- Bank deposit
- European
- Curdled soybean+milk
- Ethically indifferent

Down

- When doubted, a dance
- Having no weakpoints
- Soap, e.g.
- Experience pain
- Alicia of "Falcon Crest"
- African capital
- Buy-one-get-one-free item?
- Pilgrim to Mecca
- Item of factual information
- All excited
- Broadcast
- Lady of Lisbon
- Big laugh
- 100 cents
- Hasenpfeffer, e.g.

ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Banana Cream Pie

Prep Time: 10 Min
Cook Time: 10 to 15 Min
Chill Time: 2 hours

1/4 cup sugar
2 tablespoons corn starch
1/8 teaspoon salt
2 cups milk
4 egg yolks
1/4 cup light corn syrup

Mix sugar, cornstarch and salt thoroughly in a heavy saucepan. Whisk milk, egg yolks and corn syrup together; add to sugar mixture and stir well to combine. Heat over medium heat, stirring constantly until mixture comes to a boil, about 8 to 10 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in vanilla and butter. Slice bananas into bottom of pie crust. Pour filling over top; let cool 10 minutes. Cover with plastic wrap and chill several hours or overnight before serving. Top with whipped cream, if desired.

1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
1 to 2 medium bananas
1 prepared graham cracker pie crust, or baked pie crust
whipped cream, optional

Makes 1 9-inch Pie



FIND THE TWINS
WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?

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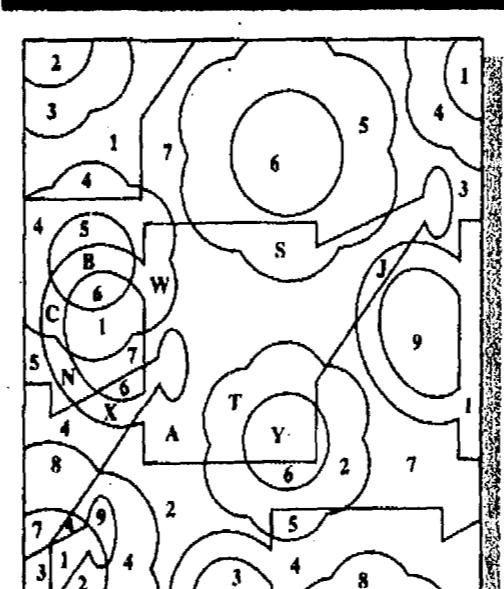
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Color in each space that contains a letter.

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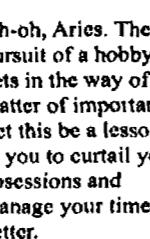
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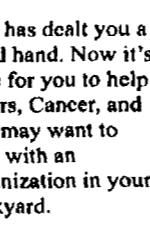
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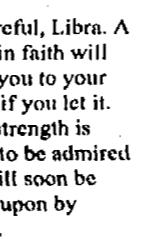
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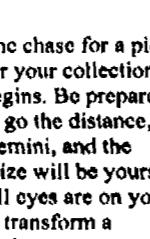
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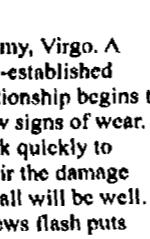
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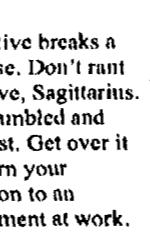
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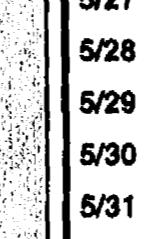
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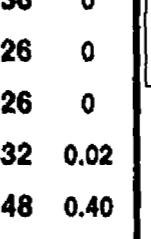
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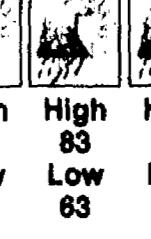
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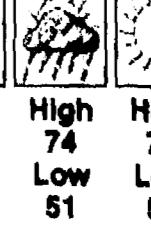
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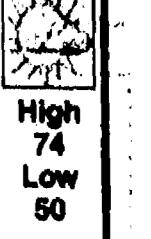
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WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week

Rain
Date H L inches

5/27 81 36 0

5/28 55 26 0

5/29 66 26 0

5/30 74 32 0.02

5/31 67 48 0.40

6/1 64 48 0

6/2 71 43 0

Extended Forecast

(Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday Monday Tuesday

High 75 83 77 74 74 74

Low 60 63 52 51 54 50

Wind 10 12 10 12 10 12

Clouds 50% 50% 50% 50% 50% 50%

Thunderstorms 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0%

Scattered Showers 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0%

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Partly Cloudy 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0%

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RIVERFRONT HOME 3 bedroom, 2 bath with fireplace, great views! Walkout basement has family room/fireplace w/wood insert, 2 bedrooms (office, den?) laundry, storage. 2-car attached. Large pole building, 348-8524. (3/20/08tf/1)

Very nice duplex built in 1994, both units are very nice and approx. 1200 S.F. each with single stall garages, hot water heat, washer & dryer. #5987 \$175,000

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2-3 BEDROOM 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06tf/1)

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NEWLY CONSTRUCTED 2 x6, 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom, with private access to mainstream AuSable, 5 miles east of Grayling, \$109,000. 348-4840. (-15-22-29-5/1)

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MOBILE HOME 2-3 bedroom for sale, owner finance on lot, 989-348-5278 or 586-405-0030. (3/20/08tf/1)

SECLUDED HOME with acreage, borders state land. Two bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath mobile home. Well insulated, energy efficient home, new windows, siding, roof, jacuzzi, wood stove w/glass doors & much more.

Nature abounds at this 2 1/2 acre parcel. This is a real retreat, close to nature yet close to town. Plenty of space between neighbors. Proposed Six Flags Amusement Park 8 miles away. \$59,000. Owner is a licensed real estate agent. Call Lora at 989-275-8119. (-29-5/1)

2. For Rent

MOBILE HOMES 4 RENT 2 and 3 bedroom, \$425 and up. Also, trailers for sale. 348-5278 (9/28/06tf/2)

OFFICE SPACE in Roscommon, great location. \$475 per month, plus utilities. 989-348-2466, AuSable Rentals (1/10/08tf/2)

2 BEDROOM MOBILE HOME \$395 (new paint, carpet) plus utilities & security, no pets. Near Blue Gill Lake. 11006 N Old US 27, 877-227-6976. (-5/29/08tf/2)

TWO-BEDROOM DUPLEX ES remodeled, all new, floors, cabinets, walls, appliances, laundry hook-up, snow plowing, etc. Nonsmokers please, \$495. 700 B Smith St. and 8110 Insley Ave 348-2178. (5/8/08tf/2)

2 BEDROOMS Heat & water included. 760-567-5536 or 989-348-8793. (-5/2)

Brand new 3 BR, 2 bath town home

This is a 2 story row house with single attached garage, 5 appliances included. Rent includes condo fee which covers snow removal and external maintenance. Tenant is to pay utilities. Available immediately. \$1350.00 (Monthly) Deposit: \$1350.00 Available Now

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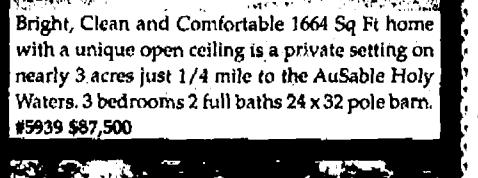
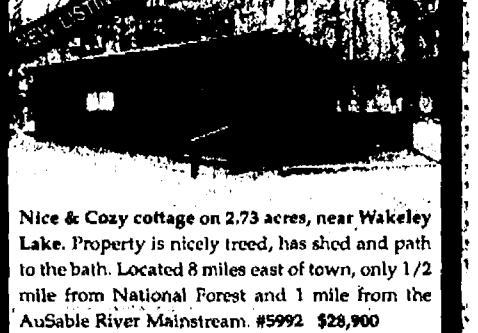
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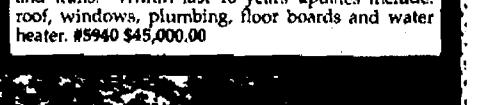
RIVER COUNTRY



Nice & Cozy cottage on 2.73 acres, near Wakeley Lake. Property is nicely treed, has shed and path to the bath. Located 8 miles east of town, only 1/2 mile from National Forest and 1 mile from the AuSable River Mainstream. #5992 \$28,900



It's all here; Large 3-4 bedroom home with 2.5 baths, master suite with jet tub and separate shower, huge family room with gas log fireplace, 30x48 pole barn and 20x24 insulated shop and so much more. #5842 \$160,000



Exceptional home in Harbor Beach includes dock slip on the canal to Lake Margrethe, access to shared private parks. Featuring: master bedroom, fireplace, 2,234 square feet plus a finished basement, landscaping, sprinkler system, 3 car garage, carport. #5900 \$25,000



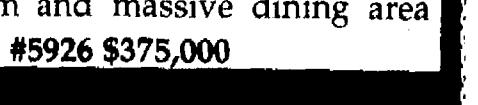
Bright, Clean and Comfortable 1664 Sq Ft home with a unique open ceiling is a private setting on nearly 3 acres just 1/4 mile to the AuSable Holy Waters. 3 bedrooms 2 full baths 24 x 32 pole barn. #5939 \$87,500



Cozy home or cabin has a nice location to outdoor recreation. Not far to Higgins Lake, Skyline, Fox River, Golf Course, Lake Margrethe, Hanson Hills, and more. Within 10 years updates include: roof, windows, plumbing, floor boards and water heater. #5940 \$45,000



ON LAKE MARGRETHE with 50 feet of sandy beach front! 2,075 sq. ft. log home renovated to restore its natural beauty. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, loft, 2 incredible stone fireplaces, large living room and massive dining area both have cathedral ceilings! #5926 \$375,000



Perfect for the snowmobile enthusiast. Large detached storage building 18 x 36 for all the toys. Charming 3 bedroom home with 1.5 baths and attached garage. Fireplace and formal dining room. Sun porch is a great place to relax. #5662 \$98,000



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2. For Rent

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2. For Rent

TWO BEDROOM MOBILE with garage, washer/dryer, and appliances. \$450 per month plus deposit. No pets, 348-2418. (-22-29-5-12/2)

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VOTE FOR Everette "Trey" Ayers in the Primary. Paid for by committee to elect Everette Ayers for Prosecutor, 1203 Trails End Rd. (-5-12-19-26-3-10-17-24/3)

3. Employment

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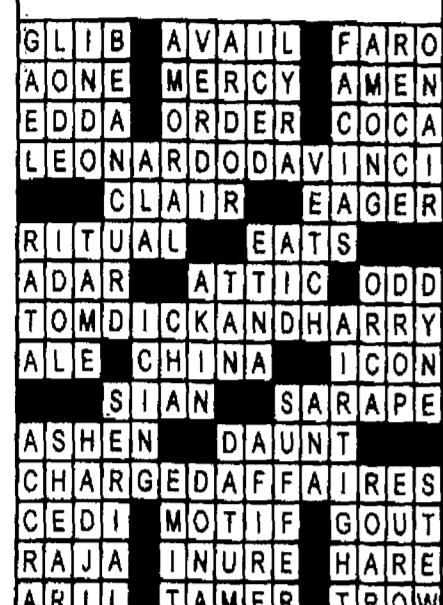
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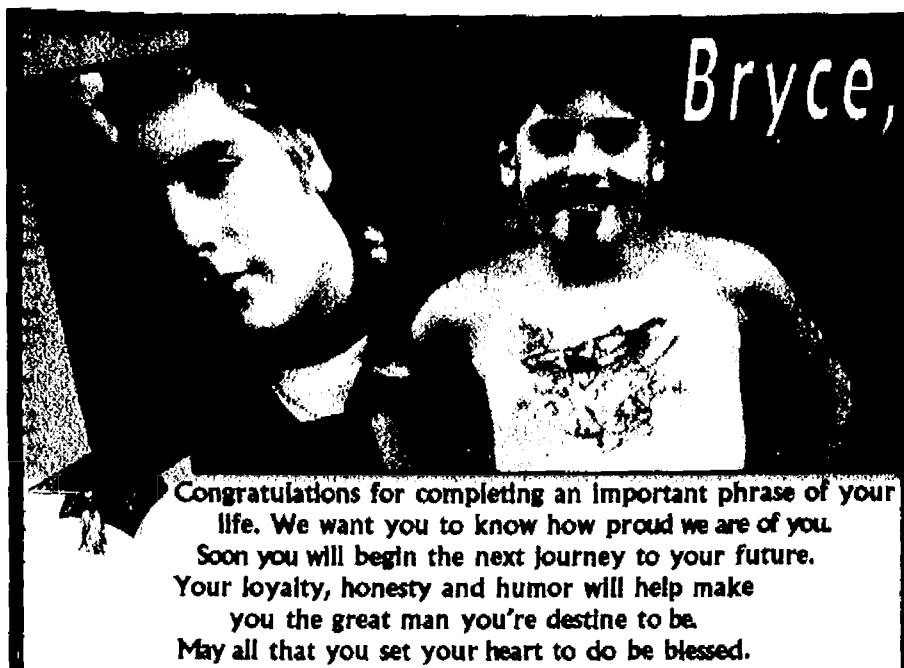
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to hang the stars upon tonight

I'm a brand new sky
I am a new day rising

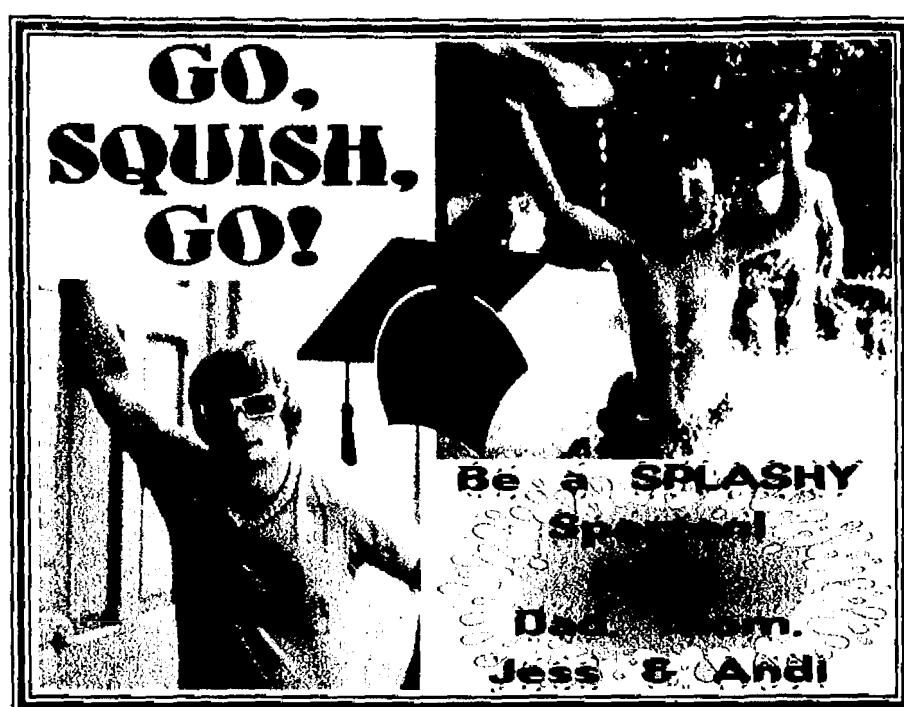
CLASS OF 2008

Grayling High School

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Congratulations for completing an important phase of your life. We want you to know how proud we are of you. Soon you will begin the next journey to your future. Your loyalty, honesty and humor will help make you the great man you're destined to be. May all that you set your heart to do be blessed. All Our Love, Dad, Mom, Orland & Danielle



GO, SQUISH, GO!
Be a SPLASHY Senior!
Dad, Mom, Jess & Andi



Julie Teal & Larissa Hohl

Love, Grandpa Leffel, Grandma & Grandpa Guyot, Aunt Julie & Uncle Cameron Sharp



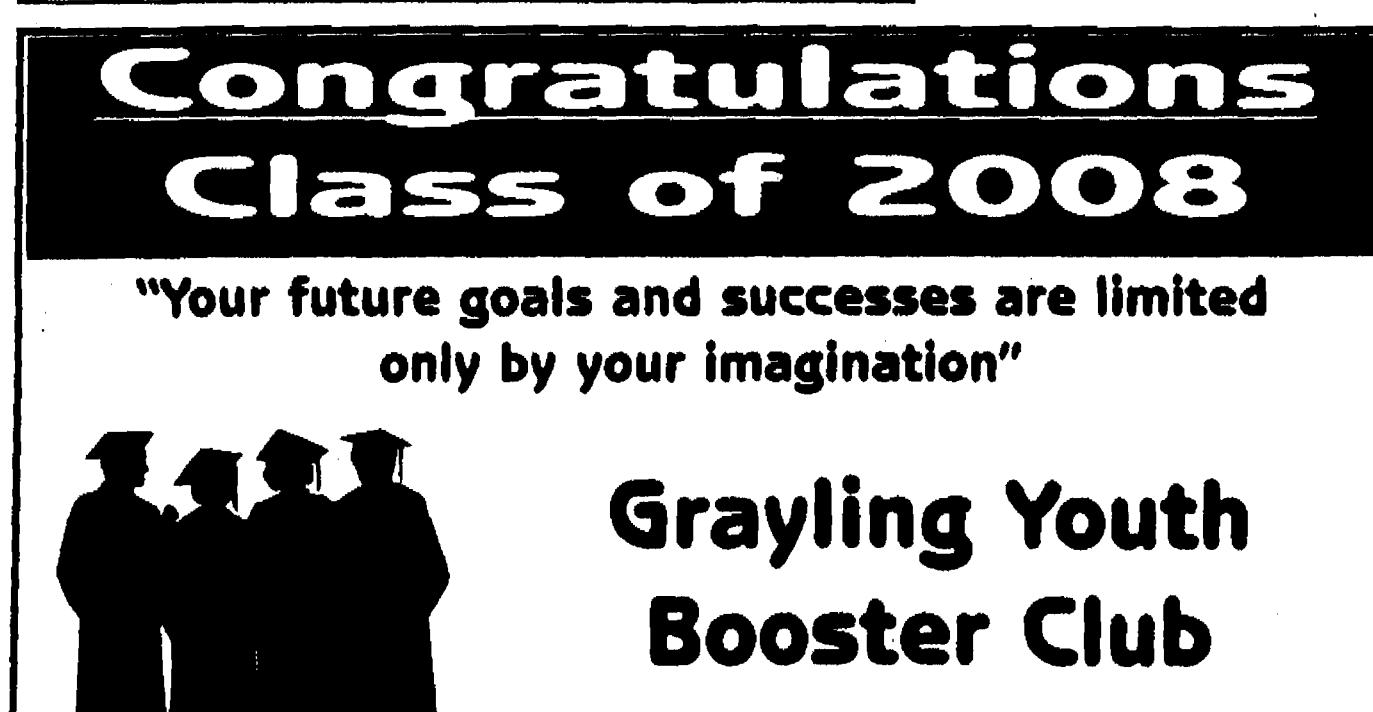
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Salutes the Class of 2008
and our graduate

Jackie Riness

Your graduation is quite an accomplishment! You've worked long & hard for it, and we wish you all the best in the years to come.

The Staff & Management of Wendy's



Grayling High School Senior Class of 2008

Graduation Exercises

Commencement

Sunday, June 1, 2008
Grayling High School
Football Stadium
Program Begins at 2 pm

Baccalaureate

Wednesday, May 28, 2008
Grayling High School
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Program Begins at 7 pm

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Senior Governor
Cassie Pizzi

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Treasurer
Ryan Cooper

President
Matt McDonald

Secretary
Rachel Doremire

Historian
Jessie Baker

Class Advisors: Mr. Ben Brock & Mr. Loren Cobb

Class Song: "Times Like These" By: The Foo Fighters

I am a one way motorway
I'm the one that drives away
then follows you back home
I am a street light shining
I'm a wild light blinding bright
burning off alone

Class Motto

"Do not follow where
the path may lead. Go,
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no path and leave a
trail."

Class Flower

White Rose

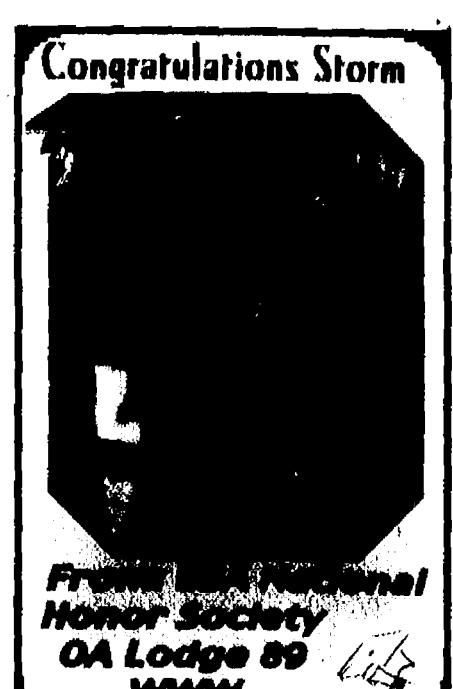
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Contributions

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This special section was produced by Grayling High School Seniors, Rachel Doremire and Kristina Weiso, with the assistance of the Crawford County Avalanche staff.



**Kurt Abbe Jr.**

Son of Kurt and Sue Abbe. After graduation I plan to go into construction.

Audrey Alimenti

Daughter of Penny and Steve Alimenti. After graduation I plan to attend Kirtland Community College and work.

Mitchell Alimenti

Son of Terry and Toni Alimenti. After graduation I plan to get a job with the Department of Natural Resources.

Casondra Allison

Daughter of Athena Torok (mother) and Ruth Derry (grandmother). After graduation I plan to continue at Kirtland for cosmetology. Then I am going to take a skin care class and a class to become a college instructor for cosmetology.

Katie Annabel

Daughter of Dewayne and Mary Annabel. After graduation I plan on attending Saginaw Community College then possibly transferring to Wayne State University to be a social worker or veterinarian.

Shentele Apps

No response.

**Ashlee Babbitt**

Daughter of Raymond Babbitt. After graduation I plan to go to Kirtland Community College to get my CDA.

Laura Lee Babbitt

Daughter of Lee Babbitt, Kay Babbitt and John Woolford. After graduation I plan to go to college to be a veterinarian.

Jessica Baker

Daughter of Ron and Judy Baker. After graduation I plan to attend the University of Michigan to major in kinesiology to pursue a career in medicine.

Raymond Bennett

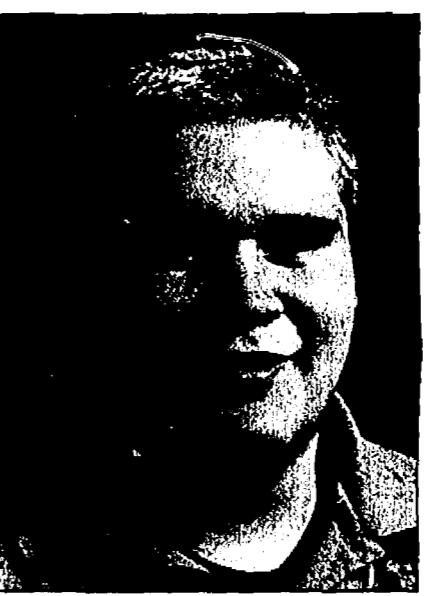
Son of Jeffrey and Darlene Bennett. After graduation I plan to attend Central Michigan University majoring in news editorial. I someday want to be a sports writer or broadcaster.

Joshua Bofysil

Son of Yvonne Shaw. After graduation I plan to attend Central Michigan University, majoring in physician's assistant.

Krystal Bromley

No response.

**Lindsay Brooks**

Daughter of Mark and Kim Brooks. After graduation I plan to attend Central Michigan University and major in psychology.

Gabrielle Calkins

Daughter of Richard and Julie Calkins. After graduation I plan to attend Michigan State University and study pre-med.

Kristi Calkins

Daughter of Beth Wejrowski and Greg Calkins. After graduation I plan to attend Ferris State University, to take part in the professional golf management program.

Kayla Cannoy

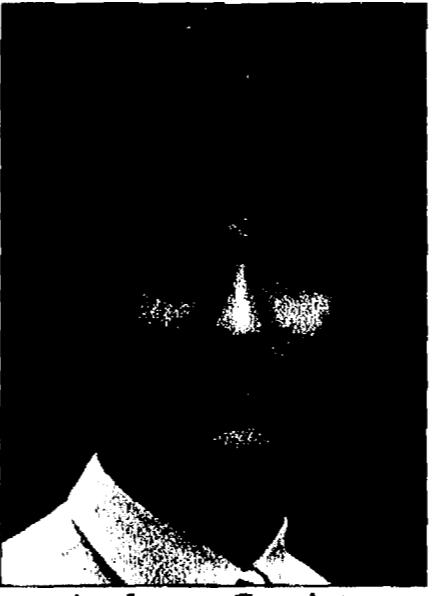
No response.

Daniel CdeBaca

No response.

Renee Clair

Daughter of Dennis and Becky Robinson and Jim and Lisa Clair. After graduation I plan to attend Western Michigan College to study speech pathology.

**Daniel Clark**

No response.

Amber Collen

No response.

Ryan Cooper

Son of Sue and Thad Cooper. After graduation I plan to attend Central Michigan University on an academic scholarship and pursue a medical career.

Andrew Curriston

Son of Larry and Shirley Curriston. After graduation I plan to attend Michigan Technological University to study biomedical engineering.

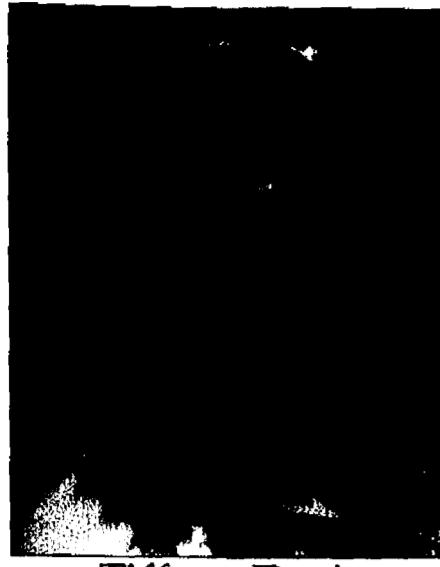
Kody Curtis

Son of Kevin Curtis and Susen Prutt. After graduation I plan to work and maybe go to college

Bryce Dami

No response.

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Tiffany Davis
Daughter of Larry Davis and Denise Boonie. After graduation I plan to go to college to become a doctor.



Leroy Decker
No response.



Nikki Dedafoe
Daughter of Sally Dedafoe and Darreld Dedafoe. After graduation I plan to attend Baker College in Cadillac.



Brittany Delarosa
No response.



Jamie Denno
No response.



Justin Denno
No response.



Rachel Doremire
Daughter of Thane and Julie Doremire. After graduation I plan to attend Northwestern Michigan College and then transfer to Grand Valley State University to pursue a career in pharmacology or physical therapy.



Kimberly Dougherty
Daughter of Susan Murray and John Dougherty. After graduation I plan to attend Central Michigan University to study pre-veterinary.



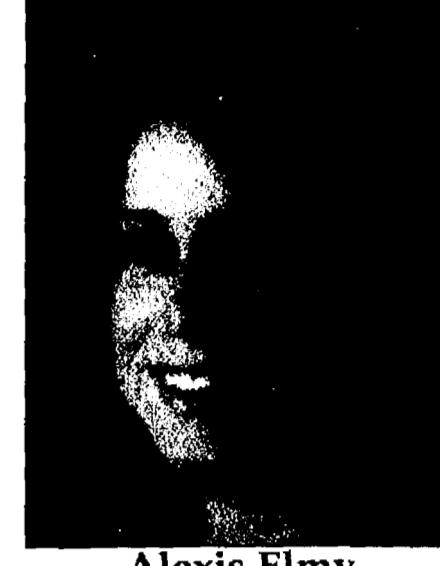
Jason Drudge
Son of James and Belinda Drudge. After graduation I plan to attend Saginaw Valley State University or Western Michigan University to study sports medicine.



Kara Edgerton
Daughter of Jack and Gayle Edgerton. After graduation I plan to attend college for an interior design bachelor's degree.



Daniel Ellison
No response.



Alexis Elmy
Daughter of Kelly and Shelly Elmy. After graduation I plan to go to Kirtland Community College to major in physical therapy and massage therapy.



Megan Etzler
Daughter of Dana and Jack Shellhammer. After graduation I plan to attend Kirtland Community College for cardiovascular sonography.



Krista Feeney
Daughter of Karen and Gary Feeney. After graduation I plan to attend Central Michigan University.



Katie Ferrigan
Daughter of Lynn and Mike Hunter and Patrick Ferrigan. After graduation I plan on moving out to Oregon or attending Northwestern Michigan College for two years and then heading out to Oregon to go to culinary school.



Fawn Filley
Daughter of Richard and Crystal Filley. After graduation I plan to attend Saginaw Valley State University for a degree in special education and to be a member on their dance team.



Jessica Fowler
Daughter of Jeffrey and Linda Fowler and Gail and Rod Ney. After graduation I plan to attend Saginaw Valley State University and study general studies.



Cody Frankowski
Son of Rebecca and Ralph Dandy. After graduation I plan to attend Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City.



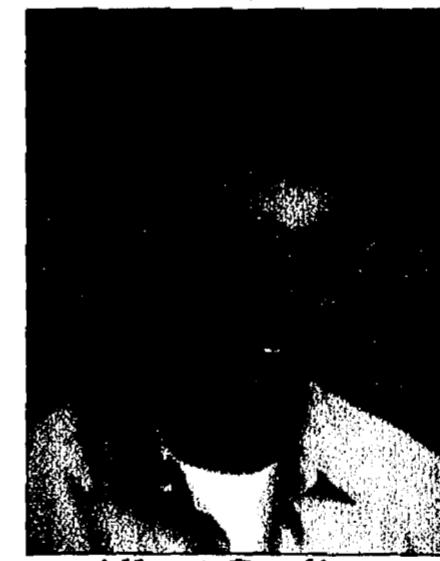
Jan Fried
Son of Katerina Friedova (mother) and Mike Shearer (host dad). After graduation I plan to go back home to Prague, Czech Republic and finish my high school education.



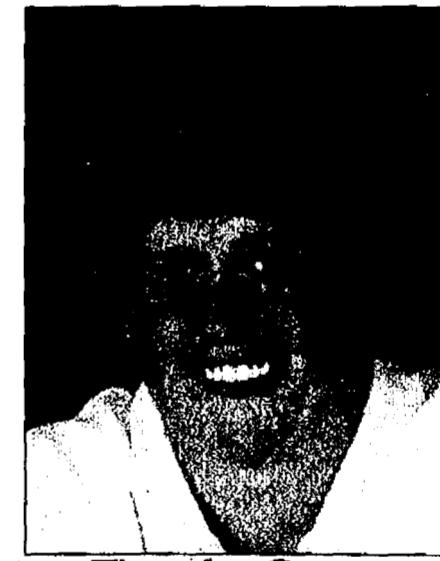
Adam Gabriel
Son of Matthew and Patricia Gabriel. After graduation I plan to get my residential builders license.



Stephanie Gaff
Daughter of Wylie and Shirley Gaff. After graduation I plan to attend Lake Superior State University and major in chemistry.



Albert Gardiner
No response.



Timothy Gerow
No response.



Chad Gildner
Son of Valerie and Paul Wilson and Ron Gildner. After graduation I plan to work in construction.



Carrie Greene
Daughter of Anthony and Julie Greene. After graduation I plan to attend Michigan Tech.



Stephen Grove
No response.



Jamie Hagerman
Daughter of Joseph and Angela Hagerman. After graduation I plan to attend Northwestern College for a year and finish up school at Saginaw Valley.



Kyle Halstead
Son of Kim and Dawn Halstead. After graduation I plan to go to college to study psychology.



Chelsea Hanson
Daughter of Janet Hanson and Curt and Lori Hanson. After graduation I plan to attend Northwestern Michigan College and then transfer to a four-year university.



Tyler Harris
Son of Karen and Rick Harris. After graduation I plan to attend Lake Superior State University's criminal justice program.



Railee Henderson
Daughter of Suzanne Good and Keith Henderson. After graduation I plan on attending college and working part-time.



Tiffany Henderson
Daughter of Suzanne Good and Keith Henderson. After graduation I plan to attend college.



David Hill
No response.



Larissa Hohl
No response.



Ashley Holbrook
No response.



Lacey Hollingsworth
Daughter of Jay and Cheryl Hollingsworth. After graduation I plan to attend Saginaw Valley State University to major in political science and minor in music performance.



Reid Holzbauer
Son of David and Nadine Holzbauer. After graduation I plan to attend Michigan State University.



Jessica Hoppe
No response.



Andria Howe
Daughter of Robert and Anita Howe. After graduation I plan to attend Lake Superior State University to study business administration management



Hannah Hoyt
Daughter of Ken and Sherry Hoyt. After graduation I plan to join the Air Force and attend college for physical therapy.



Andrew Hulbert
No response.



Jacob Hurd
Son of Jane Hurd. After graduation I plan to go to UTI or go to Nashville Auto Diesel College.



Daryl Jones
No response.



Jeff Jones
No response.



Brandon Keene
Son of Debbie Keene. After graduation I plan to attend KCC for two years, while pursuing my music, then transfer to MSU and get my degree in psychology.



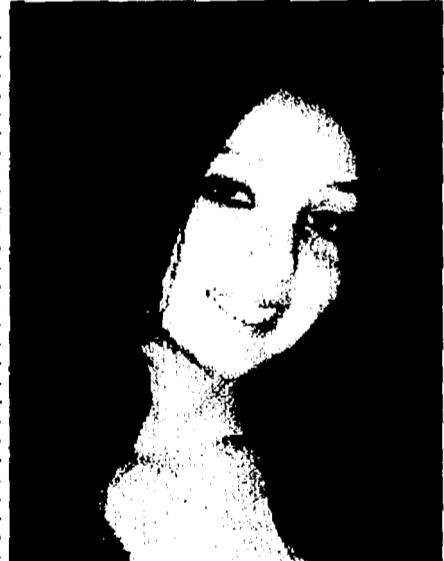
Monique Kent
Daughter of Stacey and Selena Kent. After graduation I plan to attend a community college.



Max Kluge
Son of Birgit and Ronald Kluge and host parent Michael Shearer. After graduation I plan to go back to Germany and finish high school and continue my education to become a flight navigator.



Mara LaPradd
Daughter of Dawn Wakeley and Dave LaPradd. After graduation I plan on attending college.



Krystal Larson
Daughter of Karie and Brian Naumiec. After graduation I plan to attend a four year university to pursue a degree in science.



Matt Latuszek
No response.



Matthew Letts II
Son of Carolyn Letts. After graduation I plan to attend college in Plainwell.



Krista Lile
Daughter of Tammi Maczorowski, Ed Lile and stepfather Jeremy Maczorowski. After graduation I plan to attend Lansing Community College, to become a physical trainer or a physical therapist.



Ronald Lukas
No response.



Ethan Lynch
Son of Sharon Lynch. After graduation I plan to attend Michigan Technological University and major in biomedical engineering.



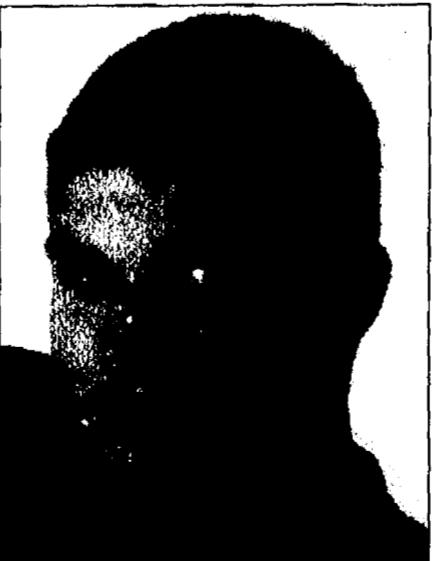
Danielle Mace
No response.



Eric Madill
Son of Lewis and Kris Madill. After graduation I plan to attend college, continue to wrestle and become an airline pilot.



Kasandra Marshall
No response.



Cody Malone
Son of Scott and Jonni Malone. After graduation I plan to work hard, marry my fiance Renee, someday start a family and be happy and successful.



Dale Mayhew
No response.



Jessica McBride
Daughter of Tim McBride and Sarah Stewart. After graduation I plan to attend Kirtland Community College to be a sign language interpreter and a massage therapist.



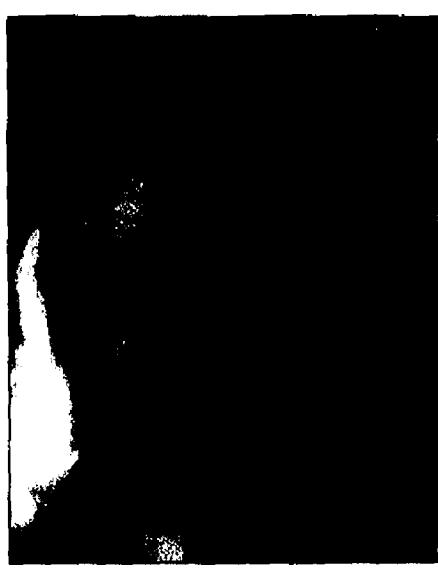
Meggan McClintock

Daughter of Pam Fisher (guardian). After graduation I plan to get a job and go to college.



Matt McDonald

Son of John and Dawn McDonald. After graduation I plan to attend Central Michigan University and major in engineering or become a cowboy.



Ashley McMann

Daughter of Jeff and Wendy McMann. After graduation I plan to attend Central Michigan University.



Rocky McNamara

Son of Katy and Patrick McNamara. After graduation I plan to go to college, meet new people and have fun.



Katie Melia

Daughter of Terri Melia and Richard Melia. After graduation I plan to pursue a career in nursing, specializing in neonatal care.



Ann Melroy

Daughter of Dale and Cheryl Melroy. After graduation I plan to attend Ferris State University to study Graphic Design.



Katti Messerschmidt

Daughter of Terry and Kim Messerschmidt and Lisa and Joe Stephan. After graduation I plan to attend Kirtland Community College in hopes of becoming a forensic tech.



Ashley Minard

Daughter of Ken and Dawn Minard. After graduation I plan to attend Kirtland.



Caitlin Moore

Daughter of Todd and Candy Moore. After graduation I plan to attend Kirtland Community College and enroll in the nursing program.



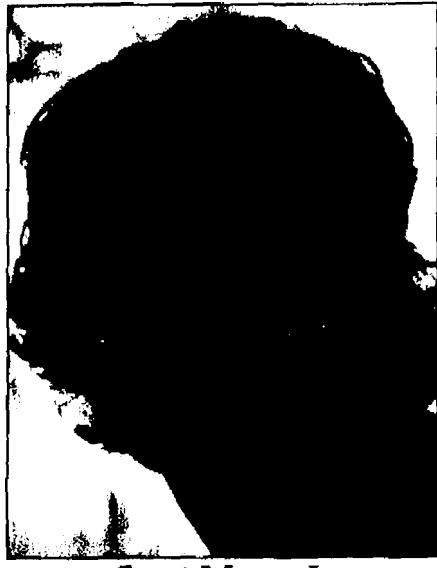
Megan Morris

Daughter of Bill and Cindy Smith and Arnold and Sandy Morris. After graduation I plan to attend Douglas J. Aveda Institute in East Lansing.



Elaina Murray

Daughter of Amanda and Bruce Murray. After graduation I plan to attend college for a major in biomedical science.



Scott Myers Jr.

Son of Scott Myers Sr. and Lisa Myers. After graduation I plan to apply for the NROTC program through the Marine Corps, and attend Michigan University or attend Kirtland Community College for two years and then transfer.



Tory Myers

No Response.



MaKinzie Nena

Daughter of Stan and M.J. Forrester. After graduation I plan to work in Frankfurt for the summer and then attend Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City.



Ethan Neuberger

Son of Lorraine Neuberger and Marilyn Neuberger. After graduation I plan to attend Saginaw Valley State University for a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering.



Jacob Niederhouse

Son of Conrad Niederhouse. After graduation I plan to attend Northwestern Michigan College then Michigan State University for an engineering degree.



Jesse Odden

No response.



Hemel Patel

Son of Chris Patel. After graduation I plan to work at the Bike Shop.



Khrystal Patterson

Daughter of (late) Rusty & Leesa Patterson. After graduation I plan to attend a community college.



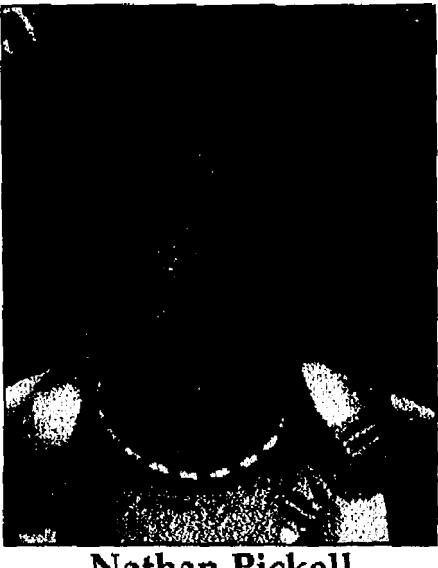
Monica Peters

Daughter of Buster and Cari Peters. After graduation I plan to attend Western Michigan University.



Christopher Petrie

No response.



Nathan Pickell

Son of Angela and James Pickell. After graduation I plan to go to college, get a good job and then get married.



Lucas Pippin

Son of Chris and Holli Pippin. After graduation I plan to attend Northwestern Michigan College for my associate degree then transfer to get a degree in conservation/forestry.



Cassandra Pizzi

Daughter of Gaye Pizzi. After graduation I plan to attend Lawrence Technological University to complete a master's in architecture.



Jessica Ramsey

No Response.



Mindy Ray

Daughter of Ron and Sue Ray. After graduation I plan to attend Kirtland Community College.



Jordan Renaud

Son of Ben and Tracy Chouinard. After graduation I plan to attend Kirtland Community College to study automotive electronics and mechanics.



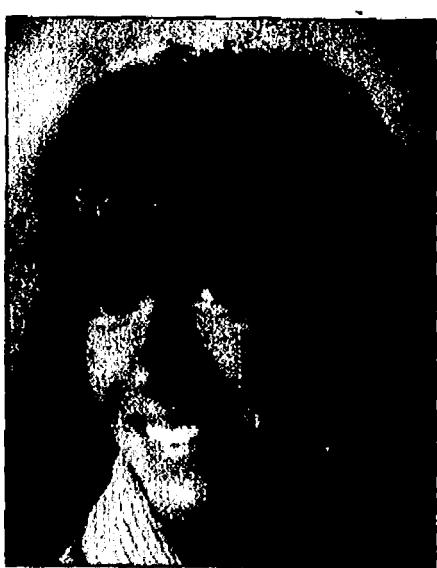
Jessica Riddle

Daughter of Jackie and Joe Riddle. After graduation I plan to attend Kirtland Community College to study criminal justice.



Jacqueline Riness

No response.



Radel Rosin

Son of George and Jean Rosin. After graduation I plan to attend Northwestern Michigan College and pursue my music career.



Sheena Russell

Daughter of Marsha Metiva and Richard Russell. After graduation I plan to attend Baker College in Flint for a degree in health.



Richard Schreiber

Son of Rich and Yvonne Schreiber. After graduation I plan to attend Central Michigan University in the field of athletic training.



Dustin Schutt

Son of Patti Neubert and Jeff Schutt. After graduation I plan to attend Northwestern Michigan College and then transfer to a four year university.



Steven Sendek

No response.



Storm Shriver

Son of David and Teresa Shriver. After graduation I plan to attend Northern Michigan University to pursue a degree in microbiology and mathematics, in hopes of becoming a virologist or a cryptologist.



Brittany Smith

Daughter of Dan and Lora Smith. After graduation I plan to attend Kirtland Community College and become a nurse.



Megan Smith

No response.



Josh Stapleton

Son of Marnie O'Brien. After graduation I plan to go on to college and get my degree in sports management.



Shayna Stewart

Daughter of Joy and Michael Jabro and Douglas Stewart. After graduation I plan to move to Tennessee with my daughter and boyfriend and go to college.



Jessica Tackett

No response.



Julie Teal

Daughter of Marie Teal. After graduation I plan to attend Kirtland Community College for two years and then attend Northern Michigan University to study pre-med.



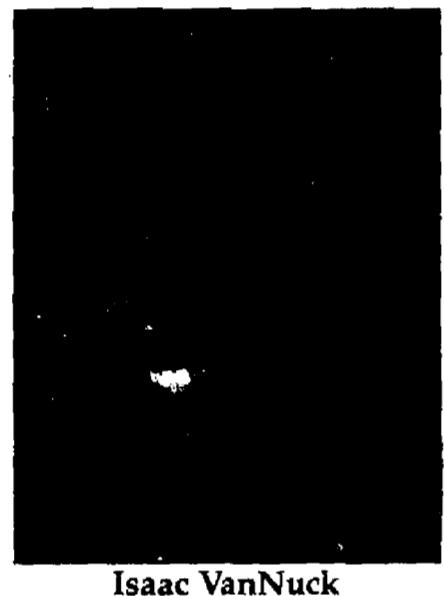
Holly Teboe

No Response.



Melinda Thompson

No response.



Isaac VanNuck

Son of Paul and Dee VanNuck. After graduation I plan to attend Northwestern Michigan College then transfer to Grand Valley State University to obtain a degree in physical science.



Tim VanNuck

Son of Tim and Roslyn VanNuck. After graduation I plan to attend Northwestern Michigan College where I'm enrolled in the CAD program.



John Ventline

Son of JoEllen Bonnington and Ed Ventline. After graduation I plan to attend Kirtland Community College for two years then go on to a university to finish my bachelor's degree.



Jorden Wakeley

No response.



Rachel Ward

Daughter of Rhonda and Mike Hopkins and James and Teka Ward. After graduation I plan to attend college at Western Michigan University and study sports medicine and later physical therapy.



Jennifer Webb

No response.



John Webb

No response.



Kristina Weiso

Daughter of Troy and Carrie Herblet. After graduation I plan to attend Lake Superior State University to study history and theatre. I am hoping to get a degree in anthropology.



Christopher Wells

Son of Gerald and Bonnie Wells. After graduation I plan to attend U of M to study aeronautical engineering and trombone performance.



Elizabeth Whiting

No response.



Jason Wilson

Son of Paul and Valerie Wilson and Tammy and George Gasser. After graduation I plan to work for a year then go to college.

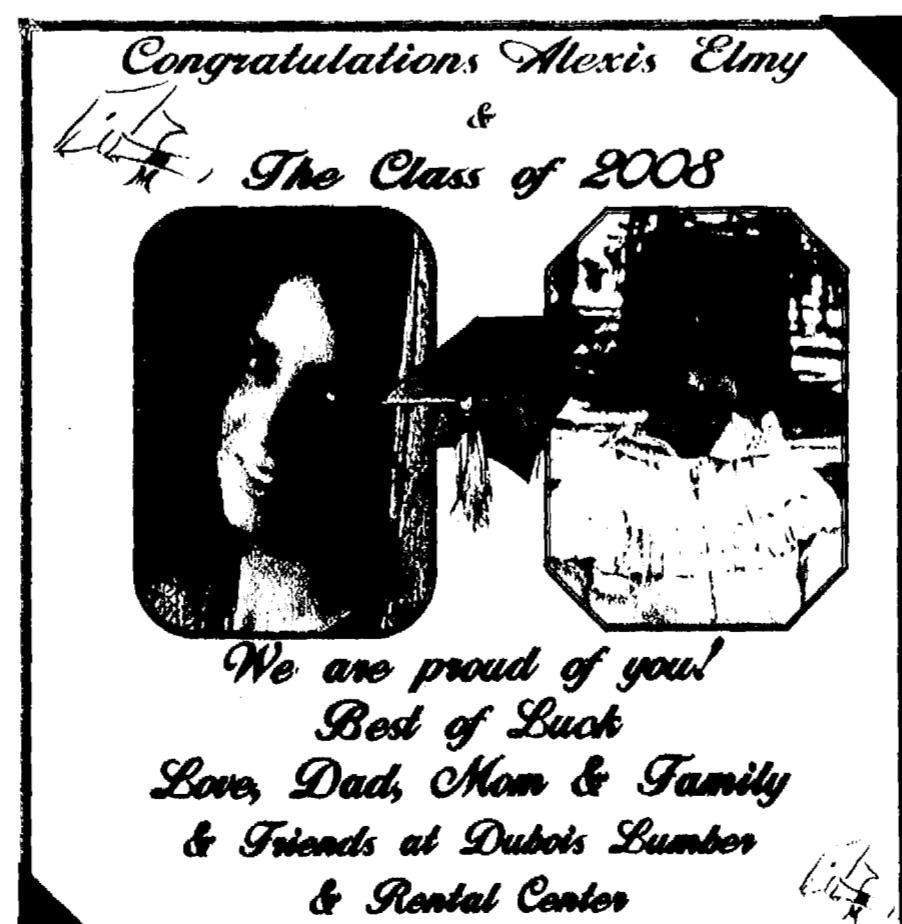


Kathryn Zill

Daughter of Rosanna and Paul Zill. After graduation I plan to attend Central Michigan University to pursue a career in physical therapy.

NOT PICTURED

T.J. Beers
Eva Clark
Samantha Dishroon
Charles Ervin II
Kaitlin Gibson
Samantha Mitchell
Christine Palmer
Nathan Paren
Adam Roberts
Heather Robinson
Dayne Rohn
Robert Shultes
Christopher Smith
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Jessica Sorenson
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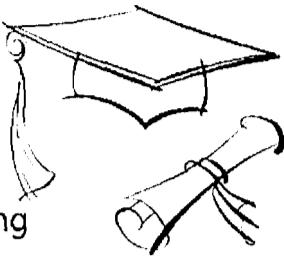


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Senior Highlights

What is most memorable about your high school days?

sledding.

cupcake Tuesday.

Josh Stapleton

Playing football, basketball and baseball all four years and the great friends that I met.

Shayna Stewart

Moving to a new school and meeting a bunch of new friends.

John Ventline

Going on trips with the band mostly and being with my friends in band, play productions and sports.

Rachel Ward

Being able to be involved in all my sports and competing at state finals for track my junior year.

Kristina Weiso

Always having something to complain about, trips with friends and theater.

Laura Babbitt
Hanging out with my friends and skipping school. I'm surprised I made it this far.

Hannah Hoyt
Working hard and succeeding and having fun with my friends.

Monique Kent
Hanging out with my friends and going to my senior prom.

Max Kluge
Participating in school in a foreign country and getting to know new people.

Jessica McBride
I loved the school dances, the games, but my favorite was spirit week.

Megan McClintock
Being student of the month.

Megan Morris
My friend Annie and I making cupcakes for

Kimberly Dougherty
Spending time with those I've grown with.

Jason Drudge
Playing sports and getting involved during spirit week.

Kara Edgerton
Theater productions and participating in choir.

Andria Howe
Formal dances, Youth in Government, movie nights and extreme

Brittany Smith
Going to basketball and football games with my friends.

Khystal Patterson
Being a cheerleader and going to prom, it was a blast.

Hemel Patel
Being team manager for football.

John Ventline
Going on trips with the band mostly and being with my friends in band, play productions and sports.

Rachel Ward
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Kristina Weiso
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Cutest Couple: Ashley McMann and Rocky McNamara

Best Eyes: Lucas Pippin and Annie Melroy

Best Dancer: Fawn Filley and Jason Drudge

Able to make anyone laugh: Bryce Dami and Kristina Weiso

Attend an Ivy League: Ryan Cooper and Lindsay Brooks

Best Friends: Josh Stapleton and Charles Ervin, Rachel Ward and Gabby Calkins

Best Laugh: Tory Myers and Renee Clair

Best Hair: Cassie Pizzi and Lucas Pippin

Best Body: Fawn Filley and Issac VanNuck

Most Artistic: Makinzie Nena and Jason Drudge

Class Clown: Jessica Riddle and Lucas Pippin

Least changed: Chad Gildner and Audrey Alimenti

Most Unique: Lucas Pippin and Makinzie Nena

Most Athletic: Ryan Cooper and Rachel Ward

Easiest to get along with: Ryan Cooper and Krista Feeney

Most School Spirit: Bryce Dami and Jessica Riddle

Most Talkative: Jessica Riddle and Ryan Cooper

Most Changed: Monica Peters and Rob Schultes

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